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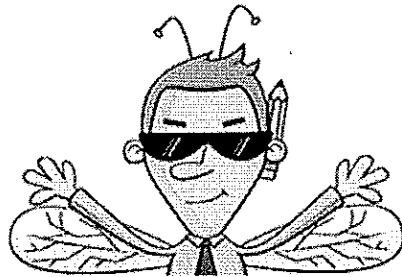
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New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio wants to make admission to Stuyvesant, Bronx Science, and the city's other selective high schools more racially equitable. It's a laudable impulse, but it's also anachronistic and unnecessary. The primary rationale for widening the on-ramp to these schools is to increase the number of low-income African American and Hispanic students on track to attend selective colleges and universities. But this important work is already being done by the city's charter schools—and in numbers that dwarf the capacity of Stuyvesant and Bronx Science, even under the rosiest scenarios proposed by the Mayor. [Read more.](#)

Ending poverty as we've known (and measured) it?

By Chester E. Finn, Jr.

A big surprise= 2nd mountain of confusion—is coming to everyone who cares about educating poor kids, not to mention every policy wonk in the K-12 realm. The definition of “poor” and “disadvantaged” is changing for the first time in decades, and the outcome is going to be a prolonged period of instability and inconsistency. The primary gauge of poverty in the education system has long been how many students qualify for subsidized meals via the federally-funded National School Lunch Program, a measure that seriously exaggerates poverty’s extent and distorts its locations—among students. But this is all in flux now. [Read more.](#)

Here's how Catholic schools instill self-discipline

By Dr. Thomas Burnford

To anyone who has worked in, attended, or sent their children to a Catholic school, the findings of Fordham's recent study *Self-Discipline and Catholic Schools* are no surprise. These institutions are dedicated to educating the whole child—mind, body, and spirit—with a focus on the development of intellect, personhood, and relationships. Those priorities are evident in the study's major findings: Catholic school students exhibit more self-control and self-discipline and are less likely to act out or be disruptive than students in other private or public schools. There are several reasons why Catholic schools are able to accomplish this laudable feat. [Read more.](#)

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The child poverty rate plummeted after welfare reform. Here's what that means for education.

By Michael J. Petrilli

When measured correctly, the U.S. child poverty rate declined from 13.1 percent in 1996 to 7.8 percent in 2014—a drop of almost two-fifths. This has huge implications for many policy areas, including education reform. For the teachers' unions and other traditional education groups, it raises hard questions that are still relevant today about their familiar contention that America's lackluster student achievement is due to poverty—that we must “fix poverty first” before our

schools will improve. Considering that these socioeconomic trends should put the wind at our backs, it also ought to make reformers wonder why we haven't seen greater progress in student outcomes over the past twenty years. [Read more.](#)

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The effects of D.C.'s voucher program

By David Griffith

A recent federally-funded evaluation examined the impacts of the D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program after two years. Overall, its authors estimate that participating in the program reduced

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How much one cohort of students is learning, according to NAEP

By Emily Howell

What the National Assessment of Educational Progress reveals about student achievement across the fifty states is more complex than simple score comparisons. In a recent report from the Brookings Institution, Matthew Chingos follows NAEP cohorts from fourth to eighth grade, finding that students in some states make gains at both levels, while others regress by eighth grade or, conversely, catch up despite a slow start. [Read more.](#)

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Self-Discipline and Catholic Schools: Evidence from Two National Cohorts

Regardless of where you stand on the debate currently raging over school discipline, one thing seems certain: Self-discipline is far better than the externally imposed kind. Over the years, Catholic schools have been particularly committed to the formation of sound character, including the acquisition of self-discipline. But how well has that worked? Do students in Catholic school actually exhibit more self-discipline than their peers—and if so, what can those schools teach other public and private schools about how it can be fostered? Our new report examines these questions and finds that students in Catholic schools exhibit more self-control and self-discipline and are less likely to act out or be disruptive than peers in other private or public schools. This suggests that schools that value and focus on self-discipline will likely do a better job of fostering it in children; that other schools have something to learn from Catholic schools when it comes to fostering self-discipline; and that we should not underestimate the power of religion to positively influence a child's behavior—and thus shouldn't restrict families' choices on the basis of religion. [Read more.](#)

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New Skills for Youth highlights CTE progress around the nation

By Jessica Poiner

Two years ago, JPMorgan Chase & Co. launched a \$75-million five-year initiative called New Skills for Youth. The goal was to expand access to high-quality career and technical education programs that can lead students to postsecondary degrees, credentials, and well-paying jobs. The first year of phase two is now complete, and a recently released 2017 snapshot outlines the “notable progress” that selected states made in designing, enhancing, and scaling high-quality career pathways. Here’s a look at how a few of these states addressed four of the most crucial aspects of high-quality CTE. [Read more.](#)

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Catholic schools’ competitive advantage: Self-discipline in the school-choice era

By J. Jacob Kirksey

The core of the Catholic school “brand” is a dual focus on “human development” and academic success, says the coauthor of Fordham’s recent report *Self-Discipline and Catholic Schools?* A strikingly sane approach that serves as an implicit rebuke to educational researchers’ and policymakers’ tendency to fixate on test scores, and coincides with students in these institutions demonstrating better self-control than their peers at other schools. But these findings raise other questions, such as: What accounts for the Catholic school advantage? And answers will require a qualitative approach—one that focuses on observing actual classrooms and talking to teachers and parents about how their kids are doing. [Read more.](#)

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How Ohio should distribute its school improvement funds

By Jessica Poiner

When Ohio state report cards are released this fall, it will be the first time that summative letter grades are assigned to districts and schools. It will also be the first time that these summative ratings are used to identify the state’s lowest performing 5 percent of schools, a requirement of ESSA. Seven percent of the state’s Title I dollars will be set aside for efforts to turnaround those schools. And one promising solution is a shuttered and short-lived competitive grant program called the Straight A Fund. Despite its brief life, the program showcased some promising ideas and results, and ESSA presents a chance for Ohio to revive it and capitalize on its strengths and improve its weaknesses. [Read more.](#)

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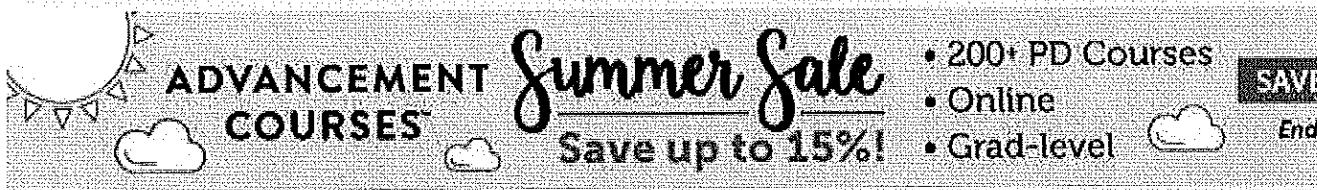
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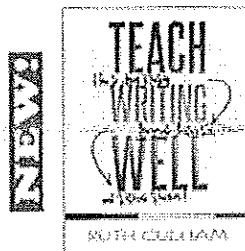
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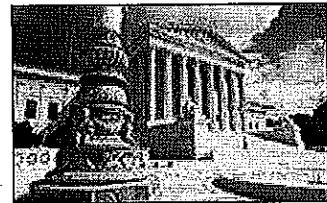
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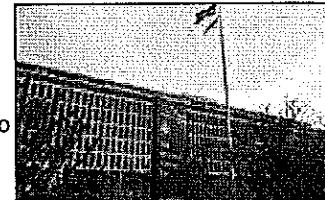
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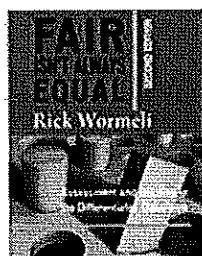


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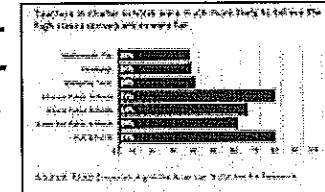
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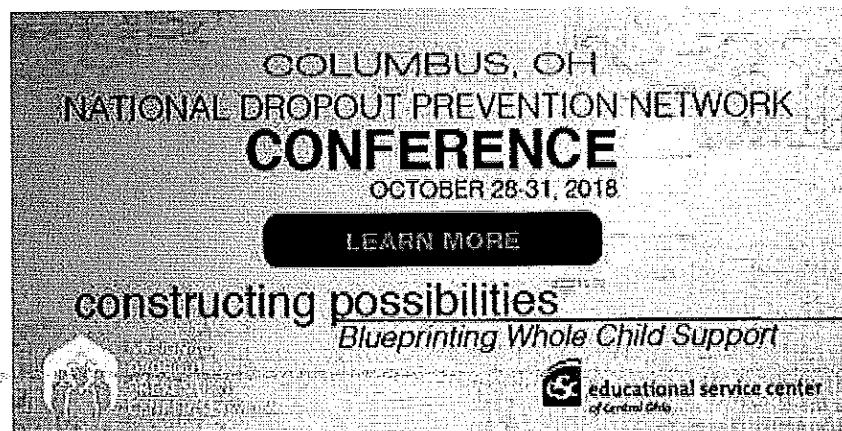
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FEATURED ITEMS

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVES STRATEGIC

PLAN – At its June meeting, the State Board of Education approved its strategic plan, *EachChild=OurFuture*, laying out a framework for the state's educational goals, strategies and guiding principles. The plan= 2s vision is that EachChild graduates from high school, and each graduate is prepared with the knowledge, skills and disposition to pursue his or her chosen post-high school path and become a lifelong learner who is an engaged, culturally aware and contributing member of society. The overarching goal is to annually increase the percentage of Ohio= 2s high school graduates who, within one year of graduation, are: 1) Enrolled and succeeding in a post-high school learning experience, including an adult career-technical education program, an apprenticeship and/or a two-year or four-year college program (15 semester hours); or 2) Serving in a military branch; or 3) Earning a living wage.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL RELEASES DRUG USE PREVENTION RESOURCE GUIDE FOR SCHOOLS – Ohio Attorney General Mike

DeWine's Joint Study Committee on Drug Use Prevention Education released a resource guide to help schools develop comprehensive prevention services. The guide walks users through the strategic planning process of developing a comprehensive drug-prevention plan for their classroom, school, or district. The committee identified 12 prevention services that, it believes, make up a comprehensive prevention plan, including: Before- and after-school programs; Cross-curricular prevention education; Health education curricula; Social-emotional learning; School climate and drug-use surveys; Alcohol, drug, and mental health board engagement and treatment providers; Caregiver engagement; Law enforcement engagement; Professional development in mental health and substance use; Youth-led prevention; Community-based health referrals; and School-based health care services.

AG, Joint Study Committee Release Guide to Effective Drug Prevention Programming – Hannah

- Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine Monday released the Drug Use Prevention Education Resource Guide aimed at helping schools implement effective drug use prevention programming

Ohio Attorney General's Drug Use Prevention Resource Guide – Ohio Attorney General

- To help schools develop comprehensive prevention services, the committee developed this guide, which walks school leaders through each facet of prevention education

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OHIO

Central Ohio Schools

Central Ohio Schools Absorbing Puerto Rican Students in Wake of Hurricane – Columbus Dispatch

- And more will be arriving this year and the next, if estimates are correct. Researchers at the City University of New York predicted last fall that Ohio will receive about 30,000 Puerto Ricans by 2020 — the sixth-most of any state

Ohio Becomes More Diverse as Asian, Hispanic Populations Grow – Columbus Dispatch

- Ohio's population continues to become more diverse, mostly because of growth in the numbers of Asian and Hispanic residents, new census estimates show

BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS

Big Walnut, Olentangy Schools Awarded Purple Stars – Sunbury News

- Since the creation of the Purple Star designation program for Ohio schools by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) in November 2017, local school districts have been well represented. This week, six more schools in the Big Walnut and Olentangy Local school districts were awarded the designation for their commitment to students and families connected with the military

CHILLICOTHE CITY SCHOOLS

How a Chillicothe High School Student Has Been Key to New Buildings' Completion – Chillicothe Gazette

- Gossman, who will be a senior in the fall, is at the leading edge of what city schools STEM consultant Kathy Payne hopes will become a bustling internship program pairing students interested in science, technology, engineering and math careers with companies that can provide exposure to those careers

City Schools to Discuss Several Building Move Issues – Chillicothe Gazette

- The Chillicothe City Schools Board of Education will turn its attention to several logistical details of the school moves at a special meeting

City Schools Explore Busing, Other Issues for New Year – Chillicothe Gazette

- The Chillicothe City Schools should be ready to occupy the new Pre-K through 2 building a couple of weeks before students arrive to start the

school year, while a completion date for the grades 3 through 6 building remains uncertain

COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS

Columbus Schools to Bid for Former ECOT Headquarters Building

- So it was with more than a tinge of irony that the Columbus Board of Education on Monday approved a plan for its treasurer to bid on buying ECOT's former posh South Side headquarters building at auction Tuesday for use as a district administrative building

City Schools Win Auction for Shuttered ECOT Headquarters – Columbus Dispatch

- Columbus City Schools won an electronic auction Tuesday for the now-defunct ECOT's former sprawling South Side headquarters and almost 27 acres of land

ECOT Auction Ends with HQ Going to Columbus Schools – Hannah

- The court-ordered auction of assets from the defunct Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow (ECOT) ended this week with the biggest ticket item, the former shopping mall site that served as the online school's headquarters, going to Columbus City Schools

Tentative Timeline Set for Columbus Schools Superintendent Search – Columbus Dispatch

- The next superintendent of Columbus City Schools might be announced in mid-October and on the job by January, under a timeline the Columbus Board of Education set with its hired search firm on Monday night

Columbus Schools Administrative Buildings Worth a Lot, Appraisal Shows – Columbus Dispatch

- The Columbus City Schools Downtown administrative building would fetch an estimated \$4.59 million if sold, an appraisal says

CoverMyMeds Proposes 1,000 New HQ Jobs for Columbus in Return for Tax Deal – Columbus Dispatch

- But first, the developer — in negotiation with the Columbus Development Department — wants a 15-year, 100-percent property-tax abatement from Columbus City Schools or it will go to a different site within the district that doesn't require any board approval and the city would not have to share income-tax revenue, project participants told the board

DELAWARE CITY SCHOOLS

Delaware City School District's Summer Lunch Program Feeds Bellies, Minds – This Week

- Forty-five youngsters showed up June 4 at Woodward Elementary School for the opening day of the Delaware City School District's summer lunch program

Delaware's Summer Enrichment Academy Wraps Learning in Fun Packages – This Week

- About 90 students participated in the Delaware City School District's Summer Enrichment Academy last week, which teacher Kevin West called "learning for the sake of learning"

BOE Approves Widening Project, Staffing Changes – Delaware Gazette

- The Delaware City Schools Board of Education approved a \$15,000 contract with the City of Delaware for the William Street widening project as well as a number of staffing changes during its meeting

DUBLIN CITY SCHOOLS

Dublin School Board Delays Vote on November Ballot Issue – Columbus Dispatch/This Week

- Dublin City School District officials have pushed back a vote to place a tax issue on the November ballot so they have more time to answer questions

GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Gahanna-Jefferson Has Short List for High School Principal – This Week

- Four candidates are being considered for the job of principal at Gahanna Lincoln High School, including two current district employees

GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CITY SCHOOLS

Ingenuity Brought to Light at Camp Invention – This Week

- Anyone observing the students participating in last week's Camp Invention program would have to believe that formula also includes elation

GROVEPORT MADISON LOCAL SCHOOLS

Shape of Possible New Schools Still Unclear for Groveport Madison – Columbus Messenger

- Parents in the Groveport Madison school district may be warming up to the idea of a K-8 grade configuration for the district's proposed new schools

HILLIARD CITY SCHOOLS

Hilliard Schools Board Extends Superintendent's Contract – Columbus Dispatch

- The Hilliard Board of Education has extended the contract of Superintendent John Marschhausen

Hilliard City Schools' John Marschhausen Receives New Contract – This Week

- Hilliard City Schools Superintendent John Marschhausen will continue to lead the district through July 2023 after the school board acted June 11 to extend an employment contract

District Leaders Must Ask – Should We Be Doing More? – This Week Hilliard Schools Connection

- John Marschhausen, superintendent of Hilliard City Schools, writes regarding some topics he believes they need to talk about, knowing these will be difficult conversations

School's Out So Hilliard District's Annual Repairs Underway – This Week

- Students might be out of school but activity continues this summer at numerous Hilliard City Schools buildings as the district completes \$6 million in improvements

OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS

Olentangy Teachers OK New 3-Year Contract, with Raises Each Year – Columbus Dispatch

- The Olentangy Board of Education voted last week to approve a three-year contract with the Olentangy Teachers Association, effective July 1 and running through June 30, 2021

Olentangy Teachers Land Three-Year Deal, Raises – This Week

- The Olentangy school board June 14 unanimously approved a three-year agreement with the Olentangy Teachers Association

Olentangy Board Selects Three Schools for Additions – This Week

- Work is underway to add 18 new classrooms at three Olentangy elementary schools in the hopes they will ease crowding in time for the 2019-20 school year

Think Tank Gets Teachers Revved Up for New Year – This Week

- School's out for the summer -- but not so fast for hundreds of Olentangy educators

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REYNOLDSBURG CITY SCHOOLS

\$1.1M Grant Will Support Literacy Plan – This Week

- A new literacy program will be implemented throughout the Reynoldsburg school district this fall, thanks to a \$1.1 million grant awarded in May by the Ohio Department of Education

SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS

Little Struggles Can Lead to Big Strides in Learning – This Week South-Western Subject Matter

- April Weese, curriculum coordinator for the South-Western City Schools, writes that their goal is for the students to be problem solvers and mathematicians. To accomplish this, they engage them in productive struggle. There is not just one way to solve a problem and they often have to fail before they succeed

WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOLS

Smathers, Whitehall-Yearling Principal, Accepts Groveport Job – This Week

- Whitehall Yearling High School Principal Paul Smathers will step down effective July 31 to take a job in Groveport

Whitehall District Leaders Eye Fall Ballot for Rare Issue – This Week

- Whitehall City School District voters likely will be asked in November to consider a ballot issue that would allow an addition to Rosemore Middle School and renovations at Whitehall-Yearling High School

WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

Worthington School Officials, Residents Debate Putting Resource Officers in High Schools – Columbus Dispatch

- The Worthington Board of Education meeting Monday night was the site of a lively debate similar to that being held at many school districts across the nation: should there be armed school resource officers in the district's two high schools

Should Worthington Have School Resource Officers? – This Week

- The Worthington school board meeting June 11 was the site of a lively debate similar to that being held at many school districts across the nation: Should there be armed school-resource officers in the district's two high schools?

Plan for Full-Time Officers at Worthington High Schools under Consideration June 25 – This Week

- Worthington Schools this month unveiled a potential plan to add full-time officers known as school-resource officers at Thomas Worthington and Worthington Kilbourne high schools

Worthington Schools Will Seek Bond Issue, Levy in November – Columbus Dispatch

- Worthington City Schools will be asking voters for more money this fall for renovations and to fund daily operations

Learning Never Stops in Worthington Schools – This Week It's Worth It

- Trent Bowers, superintendent of Worthington City Schools, writes that the summer months provide a chance for students and educators to extend the learning experience in many ways

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Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

Committee Sends Community Connectors Grant Recommendations to Superintendent – Hannah

- As many as 71 programs around the state might receive grants to support youth mentorship programs after an advisory board voted Friday to recommend them as recipients of Community Connectors Grants

State Board of Education to Consider Administrative Rules – Hannah

- The State Board of Education will convene at the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) next week where members will consider two sets of rule revisions, one dealing with the process for scoring and reporting tests and another dealing with dropout prevention and recovery charter schools

ODE Looks to Next Budget; Strategic Plan Nears Completion – Hannah

- Superintendent Paolo DeMaria primed the pump Monday for soon-to-begin discussions with the State Board of Education for recommendations on the next biennial budget, development of which will start under this administration but be taken over next year by a new governor

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School Board Committee Defers Third Grade Cut Score Decision – Hannah

- Questions about the level of precision in differentiating among scores led a State Board of Education committee to delay for one month a decision on the new testing cutoff of the third grade reading guarantee. However, schools should still know the new cut score in July, as members said they plan to seek emergency consideration so the committee and full board can vote on it in the same month

School Board Panel Discusses Graduation, Extended Learning Standards – Hannah

- Members of the State Board of Education's Achievement and Graduation Committee discussed Monday how to stay on the same page with a graduation requirements workgroup and the Legislature as they try to design a new system for awarding diplomas

State Superintendent's Panel Mulls Alternate Pathways to Graduation – Hannah

- At Wednesday evening's meeting of the Graduation Advisory Committee led by Superintendent of Public Instruction Paolo DeMaria, education officials from around the state gathered to discuss alternate pathways to graduation

State Toughens Standards for Dropout Schools – Cleveland Plain Dealer

- The state school board on Tuesday passed higher standards for Invictus and the nearly 90 dropout intervention charter schools statewide, as Ohio continues refining how to measure schools that help the most struggling and at-risk students earn diplomas

Educator Credentials Ending This School Year Expire June 30; Time to Renew! – ODE

- June 30 is the expiration date for all educator licenses, permits and certificates that are scheduled to end this school year

Business and Higher Education Support the OhioMeansJobs-Readiness Seal – ODE

- The Ohio State University recently joined several Ohio businesses to express support for the OhioMeansJobs-Readiness Seal

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JEOC June 27 Meeting Agenda - JEOC

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Ohio Education & Public Policy

Proposal to Merge Ohio Department of Education Put on Ice – Columbus Dispatch

- A bill pushed by Gov. John Kasich to put the Ohio Department of Education under the governor's direct control has been shelved

Smith 'Focused on Policy' after Speaker Election – Hannah

- As far as his priorities, Smith said he wants to continue a focus on jobs, workforce development, and particularly education. He said he wants to move legislation that allows for short-term certificates, that will help people get in-demand, good-paying jobs

As Yost, Others Press for Action, House Looking to Pass E-School Changes – Columbus Dispatch

- ECOT has been auctioned off in pieces, but the enrollment count issue that led to its downfall and is impacting other Ohio online schools so far remains unaddressed as state lawmakers prepare to head into a summer break

House Opens Hearings on E-School Regulation Bill – Hannah

- Reps. Keith Faber (R-Celina) and Bill Reineke (R-Tiffin) picked up Auditor Dave Yost's recommended changes to e-school oversight in a new bill Tuesday, presenting it to the House Education and Career Readiness Committee

DeWine Offering Drone Photos of Schools for Safety Plans – Columbus Dispatch

- The Bureau of Criminal Investigation's squadron of six drones, normally used to document crime scenes, now is available to take high-quality aerial photographs of buildings for inclusion in school safety plans

AG Expands School Safety Training, Emergency Plan Help – Hannah

- Attorney General Mike DeWine said Wednesday his office is expanding its offerings to help schools plan for emergencies, including armed attacks

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Ohio Attorney General's Drug Use Prevention Resource Guide – Ohio Attorney General

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House Clears Huge Calendar Including Addiction, Justice Bills – Hannah

- In another marathon session, the House voted on two dozen bills Wednesday as it continued to work through a raft of pending measures after the spring leadership impasse held up floor action for several weeks

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Ohio Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Incoming Ohio State Freshmen Line Up for University-Issued iPads – Columbus Dispatch

- Incoming freshmen filed into a room in the Drake Performance and Event Center on Monday morning, one of their first stops after checking in at orientation registration, to receive the Apple iPad they'll have with them throughout their time at Ohio State

Public Universities' Value far Exceeds Public Investment, Study Shows – Columbus Dispatch

- Ohio's public universities added billions to the state's economy in 2016-17, according to an economic impact study released

Report: Ohio Students, Taxpayers Receive Substantial Return on Investment in Higher Education – Hannah

- Despite the rising cost of higher education and growing student debt, both Ohio students and taxpayers profit from investment in its public universities, according to a new report from the Inter-University Council of Ohio (IUC)

Analysis of the Economic Impact and Return on Investment of Education: The Economic Value of the Public Universities of Ohio – Emsi

- Inter-University Council of Ohio's (IUC) public universities create a significant positive impact on the business community in Ohio and generate a return on investment to their major stakeholder groups

State Launches Partnership with Online College WGU – Hannah

- Dozens of staff, students and alumni of Western Governors University (WGU) gathered at the Statehouse Thursday to celebrate the launch of a new partnership aimed at expanding post-secondary education options for adult learners in the state

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Federal & US Department of Education

Comprehensive Center Network Portal – USDOE

- Through a single website, the CC Network portal, anyone interested in learning more of the broad range of education initiatives funded by the U. S. Department of Education, through the Department's comprehensive centers, may examine the hundreds of efforts underway, or completed, through the nation's network of centers

Advocates Worried About Special Ed. Testing Waivers Under ESSA – EdWeek

- U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos has allowed nearly half of states to get wiggle room from a provision in the Every Student Succeeds Act aimed at making sure that only a small percentage of students are taking alternative tests reserved for children with the most significant cognitive disabilities

Trump Officially Proposes Merging U.S. Departments of Education, Labor – EdWeek

- President Donald Trump wants to combine the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Labor into a single agency focused on workforce readiness and career development

Four Things to Know About Trump's Plan to Merge Education, Labor Departments – Edweek

- So President Donald Trump has proposed merging the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Labor into a new U.S. Department of Education and the Workforce. There would be four new sub-agencies, focused on K-12, Higher Education/Workforce Development, Enforcement, and Research/Evaluation/Administration. But what exactly would that mean for educators? And will it actually happen? Here's a quick look at what educators need to know

Reshaping American Government in the 21st Century – The White House Office of Management and Budget

- The Administration's plan serves as a cornerstone for productive, bipartisan dialogue on realigning the Federal Government to more effectively operate in the 21st century

Statement from Secretary DeVos on the Government Reform Plan - USDOE

Janus, the Supreme Court, and Teachers' Unions: An Overview – EdWeek

- The U.S. Supreme Court is poised to deliver a major blow to teachers' unions. The upcoming ruling in Janus v. American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Council 31 will decide if teachers in about half of states still have to pay "agency" or "shop" fees if they're not union members

Supreme Court Rules That States May Collect Taxes on Out-of-State Retailers – EdWeek

- In a potentially major boost to the coffers of states, cities, and school districts, the U.S. Supreme Court on Thursday cleared the way for the enforcement of sales taxes on Internet purchases from retailers that don't have a physical presence in a state

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Education Policy & Finance

Investing In Innovation 'Gems' Show Tricky Path for Districts Using Evidence under ESSA – EdWeek

- Few of the hundreds of programs proposed under the federal Investing in Innovation, or i3, program ultimately led to significant interventions—but those that did provide a window into what it will take for school districts to really use evidence to improve student learning

To Stem Likely Membership Losses, Teachers' Unions Play Offense — Edweek

- When teachers are first hired, they have paperwork to fill out and meetings to attend. This fall, new hires in a growing number of states can add another to-do to their lists: meet with a teachers' union representative

Average Teacher Salary Is Below the Living Wage in Half the Country, Report Says — EdWeek

- In more than half the states, the average teacher is not making a living wage, a new report says. In this report, researchers at the nonprofit Education Resource Strategies make the case for a redesign of education spending and teacher compensation. Too often, researchers charge, states are not providing enough resources to schools—but even when they are, districts are not always allocating the resources in a way that best serves the teaching profession

Rethinking Regulation: Overseeing Performance in a Diversifying Educational Ecosystem — EdChoice

- Real deregulation is about much more than simply getting rid of regulations. It is about focusing the government on the things that it can do well

Addressing the Gap Between Education Research and Practice — Center for American Progress

- This issue brief attempts to address the research-practice gap in the education space. First, it describes some challenges in applying research to educational practice. It then outlines research-practice partnerships (RPPs)—mutually beneficial collaborations between research scientists and education leaders that can narrow the gap between research and practice. Finally, the brief proposes the creation of state-level education capacity centers, which would help leaders in state and local education departments use research to inform practice

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Educator Effectiveness

A Policymaker's Playbook for Transforming Teaching – FutureEd

- In A Policymaker's Playbook: Transforming Public School Teaching in the Nation's Capital, FutureEd Director Thomas Toch explores how DCPS has transformed teaching into a performance-based profession over the past decade

What Other Countries Can Teach the U.S. About Teacher Professional Development – EdWeek

- A new report from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development suggests that specific types of preservice training and professional development may be less related to student achievement than the content and priorities of these programs

'An Expensive Experiment': Gates Teacher-Effectiveness Program Shows No Gains for Students – EdWeek

- The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's multi-million-dollar, multi-year effort aimed at making teachers more effective largely fell short of its goal to increase student achievement—including among low-income and minority students, a new study found

Increasing the Supply of Qualified High School Teachers for Dual Enrollment Programs: An Overview of State and Regional Accreditor Policies

Midwestern Higher Education Compact/ECS

- Seven types of state strategies were identified for increasing the supply of qualified high school teachers: (1) providing general program support; (2) offering financial aid for high school instructors to complete graduate credits; (3) incentivizing professional development through teacher bonuses; (4) increasing awareness of graduate program options; (5) requiring state reporting of teachers attending training and support programs; (6) employing tested experience models; and (7) utilizing alternative course delivery models to facilitate the completion of graduate credits

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Digital Convergence

As Demand for Online Schools Grows, So Does Need for Accurate Evaluation

– THE Journal

- A recent national study by NEPC shows enrollment in full-time virtual schools and blended schools (online and face-to-face instruction) increasing at a rapid pace. According to the study, in the 2016-2017 school year, 17,000 more students enrolled in an online school than the previous year, and

80,000 more students enrolled in a blended learning program during the same period

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Personalized Learning Frameworks

A National Landscape Scan of Personalized Learning in K-12 Education in the United States – iNACOL

- This publication provides findings from a national survey of teachers and students to underscore how, and to what extent, core elements of personalized learning are taking hold in K-12 schools and districts across the United States

Personalized Learning at a Crossroads – Center on Reinventing Public Education

- Lessons from the Next Generation Systems Initiative and the Regional Funds for Breakthrough Schools Initiative

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Tech Infrastructure

How to Protect Sensitive Data in SaaS Applications – EdTech K-12

- More professionals and students use Software as a Service (SaaS) on a daily basis. It's not a question of whether to use cloud storage to back up information so much as it is to determine which solution will provide the safely guarded flexibility users expect

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Charter Schools

Rooted in Opportunity: The Walton Family Foundation's Approach to Starting and Growing High-Quality Schools – Walton Family Foundation

- This report details what the Walton Family Foundation is doing to support leaders developing the schools, classrooms and teaching methods of the future, and, just as important, offers portraits of what that good work looks like in real life. We are fueling the growth of great public charter schools as well as new routes to excellent school creation — public charter, district and private

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Dropout Prevention & Re-Engaging Youth

Blueprint for Accountability Systems for Alternative High Schools – Center for American Progress

- Recent analyses show that without meaningful accountability, traditional school districts may push struggling students into low-quality alternative schools.² The analysis shared in this report suggests that measures used to hold these schools accountable may over-identify failure and under-identify success

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Special Education

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English Learners

English-Learners Aren't 'Perpetually Struggling,' We Just Aren't Gauging Their Progress, Study Finds – EdWeek

- Current and former English-language learners have made significant progress in the past 15 years on the test dubbed the "Nation's Report Card"—improving faster than English-only students. That's the takeaway from a study released this morning in the journal *Education Researcher*. Michael Kieffer, an associate professor at New York University, and Karen Thompson, an assistant professor at Oregon State University, found that 4th and 8th grade multilingual students' scores on the National Assessment of Educational Progress in math and reading have risen two to three times faster since 2003 than those of students who speak only English at home

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School Safety & Discipline

Video Games? Media? Bullying? No Single Cause for School Shootings, Experts Tell Safety Commission – EdWeek

- One-by-one, experts speaking to a federal school safety commission addressed factors commonly blamed for school shootings: bullying, mental health issues, violent video games, and media coverage. All of those issues require a thoughtful, research-based response, the panelists told the commission, chaired by U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos, but tackling any single factor alone will not be enough to eliminate school violence

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Mental Health & Wellness

Growing Pressures Feed Kids' Mental Health Issues, Expert Says – Columbus Dispatch

- It's not your imagination, or mere nostalgia for the good ol' days: Today's children and teens have more mental-health problems than earlier generations. The reason is a mix of social, environmental and even dietary factors, but the problem is growing, said experts speaking Wednesday to the Columbus Metropolitan Club

Teens Take Fewer Risks with Sex and Drugs But Face New Challenges = 6 **USA Today**

- Today's high school students have less sex and take fewer drugs than those of decades past, but they face some newly recognized risks, including misuse of pain pills, according to a report released

20% of Educators Say They've Been Sexually Harassed or Assaulted at Work – EdWeek

- The #MeToo movement has felled the careers of some of the most celebrated and influential men in the country while exposing the pervasiveness of sexual harassment and assault in industry after industry. As more women come forward, it seems no place is immune: whether it be inside Hollywood, the Washington Beltway, or the news room. The same is true, it turns out, of the schoolhouse

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Social-Emotional Learning

How (and Why) Ed-Tech Companies Are Tracking Students' Feelings – EdWeek

- It's just one example of a growing push to use educational technology to measure, monitor, and modify students' emotions, mindsets, and ways of

thinking. The trend is provoking strong and conflicting reactions throughout the K-12 world

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Career- and Postsecondary-Readiness

New Skills for Youth: Building Pathways to Success – JP Morgan Chase

- The initiative will provide a select group of state and local partnerships with the opportunity to design and implement rigorous, demand-driven education systems that dramatically increase the number of students who complete career pathways beginning in secondary school and culminating in valuable postsecondary credentials

Increasing the Supply of Qualified High School Teachers for Dual Enrollment Programs: An Overview of State and Regional Accreditor Policies – Midwestern Higher Education Compact/ECS

- Seven types of state strategies were identified for increasing the supply of qualified high school teachers: (1) providing general program support; (2) offering financial aid for high school instructors to complete graduate credits; (3) incentivizing professional development through teacher bonuses; (4) increasing awareness of graduate program options; (5) requiring state reporting of teachers attending training and support programs; (6) employing tested experience models; and (7) utilizing alternative course delivery models to facilitate the completion of graduate credits

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Postsecondary & Workforce Development

Report Urges Adoption of 'Demand Driven Education' – Education DIVE

- The Demand Driven Education report says higher education has had stages of reform that first focused on access for all types of students and then their success. Now, the report says, it should turn attention to better preparing students for jobs available now and that will develop in the future

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Curriculum

A Bold Effort to End Algebra Tracking Shows Promise – EdWeek

- Part of an ambitious project to end the relentless assignment of underserved students into lower-level math, the city now requires all students to take math

courses of equal rigor through geometry, in classrooms that are no longer segregated by ability. That means no "honors" classes. No gifted track. No weighted GPAs until later in high school. No 8th grade Algebra 1

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District Leaders Seek Interoperability to Access Data Educators Need – EdWeek

- With many districts running up to 100 ed-tech applications—most operating within a closed ecosystem of their own data—that kind of access to cross-reference pieces of information about students is often impossible for schools

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Leadership

The Pre-K-8 School Leader in 2018: A 10-Year Study – NAESP/UCEA

- The Pre-K-8 School Leader in 2018: A 10-Year Study is the ninth in this series of research studies, and it imparts new information about the current education climate; the challenges veteran, early career, and assistant principals face; the students they serve; and the conditions under which they work

School Leadership: A Primer for Policymakers – ECS

- Because principals are key to teacher and student success, it is important for states to develop policies that support them throughout their careers — from preparation to evaluation and ongoing support. By first adopting strong school leadership standards and further aligning policies with these standards, states can help ensure effective principals lead more schools — and the teachers and students within those schools

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International Benchmarking

What Other Countries Can Teach the U.S. About Teacher Professional Development – EdWeek

• A new report from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development suggests that specific types of preservice training and professional development may be less related to student achievement than the content and priorities of these programs

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Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

HOUSE

HB3 DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations

STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out

HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 29-0; House concurs, Vote 88-0

HB14 AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB21 COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments
STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 31-0; House concurs, Vote 87-0

HB24 VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS-TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Timothy Ginter) - To modify the existing tax exemption for veterans organizations' property, to make appropriations and otherwise provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs, and to declare an emergency
STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB37 SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB40 GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database
STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out

HB47 STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges
STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB49 OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget
STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017

HB51 DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review
STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB53 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent

public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB58CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 89-4

HB66UNDERGRAD MISSION STUDY COMMITTEE (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB69LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective March 23, 2018

HB74INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB77SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Retherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB80SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB87COMMUNITY SCHOOL PUBLIC MONEY (Rep. Kristina Roegner) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB89AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB98CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students
STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective June 29, 2018

HB102 SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017

HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB163 PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB166 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB170 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey)

With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective March 23, 2018

HB176 SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB179 IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB181 ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB186 COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB200 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB203 YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB217 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB220 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB224 RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to

students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB227 LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate

STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended

HB235 EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB237 MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB240 RESPECT YOUR DATE ACT (Barnes, Jr. J) To enact the "Respect Your Date Act" to designate the month of April as "Respect Your Date Month" and to require each state institution of higher education to adopt a policy regarding dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and rape on campus and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Reported out as amended

HB242 SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB246 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Boccieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB262 INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or

the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB298 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB312 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB318 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

HB322 SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills; to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB337 TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out as amended

HB338 BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB342 LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 61-32

HB343 PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Ways & Means Committee

HB360 ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB361 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 91-2

HB363 CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB369 PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB377 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Finance Committee

HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 91-2

HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees

STATUS: House Health Committee

HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee

HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students

STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee

HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers

STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee

HB438 ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 31-0; House concurs, Vote 72-15

HB442 SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB443 MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB449 CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB477 ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 93-0

HB487 RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL-COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To eliminate the right of first refusal for community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools in the acquisition of school district real property

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB488 PROPERTY TAX LEVY-BALLOT LANGUAGE (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. John Becker) To modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB491 SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 86-2

HB502 YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PUBLIC (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in public schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted & reported out

HB503 YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PRIVATE (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in private schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB508 OHIOCORPS PILOT PROJECT (Rep. Scott Ryan, Rep. William Reineke) To establish the OhioCorps Pilot Project and to make an appropriation

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Finance Committee

HB512 CONSOLIDATE CAREER-EDUCATION GOVERNANCE (Rep. William Reineke) To establish the Department of Learning and Achievement; to abolish the Department of Higher Education, the position of the Chancellor of Higher Education, and the Ohio Board of Regents; to transfer, with exceptions, the duties regarding the administration of primary and secondary education programs and all duties regarding the administration of higher education programs to the Department of Learning and Achievement; and to prescribe certain duties regarding educator licensure, community school sponsorship, and other education programs for the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Department of Education

STATUS: House Government Oversight & Accountability Committee

HB517 MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Rep. Tim Schaffer, Rep. David Leland) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month."

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB524 529 CONTRIBUTIONS IN OTHER STATES (Rep. Gary Scherer, Rep. John Patterson) To expand the income tax deduction allowed for contributions to Ohio's 529 college savings program to include contributions to 529 programs established by other states

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB526 VOLUNTEER SCHOOL SECURITY (Rep. Anthony DeVitis, Rep. Martin Sweeney) To authorize a public or chartered nonpublic school to enter into an agreement with a volunteer law enforcement officer to patrol school premises to prevent or respond to a mass casualty event, to provide the parties with a qualified immunity from civil liability, and to provide a tax credit for volunteer service

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB529 CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS (Rep. Scott Ryan) To make capital appropriations and changes to the law governing capital projects and to make reappropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2020

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective June 29, 2018

HB538 TAXES TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND INCREASE (Rep. Jack Cera, Rep. John Rogers) To increase the proportion of state tax revenue allocated to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.53% beginning July 1, 2019

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB540 TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Rep. Theresa Gavarone, Rep. Nathan Manning) With regard to teacher evaluations

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB544 STATE BOARD-ADOPT SCHOOL SAFETY STANDARDS (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Rick Perales) To require the State Board of Education to adopt rules prescribing standards for safety enhancements to new public and nonpublic school

facilities and to require the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission to revise its construction and design standards to comply with the State Board's standards

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB547 PERS- DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SCHOOL EMPLOYEE (Rep. Jay Edwards) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of development disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee

HB549 SCHOOL OPENINGS-AFTER LABOR DAY (Rep. Steve Arndt) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB559 IMMUNIZATION-SCHOOLS (Rep. Anne Gonzales, Rep. Al Landis) To make changes to the law governing immunization of children enrolled in school, preschool programs, and day-care programs

STATUS: House Health Committee – Bill amended

HB572 PERS- DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SCHOOL EMPLOYEE (Rep. Gary Scherer, Rep. Stephanie Howse) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted & reported out

HB591 STATE REPORT CARD REVISIONS (Rep. Mike Duffey) To revise the state report card rating system for school districts and public schools

STATUS: Referred to House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB594 PAYMENTS MUNICIPAL CORPS/SCHOOLS BUSINESS LAYOFFS (Rep. Dan Ramos) Enacts section 131.46 of the Revised Code to provide for payments to municipalities or school districts for their lost income tax revenue after a business lays off 50 or more employees within their jurisdiction

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB603 IN-STATE TUITION-MILITARY SERVICE (Rep. Rick Perales) To grant residency status for in-state tuition purposes at state institutions of higher education to all military service members who are on active duty and to their spouses and dependents

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB605 OVERTIME LAW EXEMPTION (Rep. Brigid Kelly, Rep. Kent Smith) To raise the salary threshold above which certain employees are exempt from the overtime law

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB609 EXPULSION-THREAT OF VIOLENCE (Rep. Jim Hughes) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for communicating a threat of violence to occur on school grounds

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB611 ONLINE SCHOOL PAYMENT (Rep. Keith Faber, Rep. Kristina Roegner) To condition payment from the Department of Education to an Internet or computer-based community school on the school's use of automatically verifiable software that tracks attendance, class size, and participation

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB619 UNBORN CHILD EDUCATION (Rep. Niraj Antani) To require the development of an instructional program and educational and informational materials and the dissemination of those materials to protect the humanity of the unborn child and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB620 REGULATION REDUCTION (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To require agencies to reduce the number of regulatory restrictions

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB626 MORATORIUM-ACADEMIC DISTRESS COMMISSIONS (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Teresa Fedor) To establish a moratorium on the creation of new academic distress commissions

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB628 RESIDENT EDUCATOR LICENSES (Rep. Dick Stein, Rep. Wes Rutherford) With regard to qualifications for obtaining a resident educator license

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB630 ALTERNATIVE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS EXTENSION (Rep. Tavia Galonski) To extend the alternative graduation requirements for two additional years

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB635 SCHOOL LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM (Rep. Dan Ramos) To create a school license plate program

STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee

HB652 LOVING STATE INDEX (Rep. Stephanie Howse) To create the Loving State Index and the Loving State Index Commission to evaluate and rank municipal corporations in Ohio regarding critical supports that are vital to student academic

success in order to identify gaps in opportunity for low-income individuals and minority individuals

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB654 APPROPRIATION-DISBURSEMENTS TO SUBDIVISIONS (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Kristin Boggs) To make a supplemental appropriation under the budget of the Auditor of State to make disbursements to political subdivisions appearing on the Auditor of State's fiscal caution, fiscal watch, or fiscal emergency list during the FY 2018-FY 2019 biennium

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB663 COLLEGE PROGRAM NOTIFICATION (Rep. Dan Ramos) To require the establishment of a program to notify college students of eligibility for programs and services of the Departments of Job and Family Services and Medicaid

STATUS: House Community & Family Advancement Committee

HB666 COLLEGE EXPENSE TAX CREDIT (Rep. Dan Ramos) To authorize a refundable income tax credit for the amount of undergraduate higher education expenses paid by or on behalf of a student to attend a public Ohio institution of higher education

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB668 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FACILITIES (Rep. Tom Patton) To authorize state agencies, state institutions of higher education, counties, townships, municipal corporations, school districts, community schools, STEM schools, and college-preparatory boarding schools to enter into public-private initiatives with a private party through a public-private agreement regarding public facilities

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB671 SCHOOL DRINKING WATER TESTS (Rep. John Barnes, Jr.) To require the Director of Environmental Protection to adopt rules establishing procedures and requirements governing annual testing of school drinking water for lead, to name this act the State Water Quality Act for Kids, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Energy & Natural Resources Committee

HB680 SCHOOL BUS SEAT BELTS (Rep. John Barnes, Jr.) To require all passenger seats on school buses to be equipped with occupant restraining devices beginning on July 1, 2019, and to designate "Safe School Week."

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB682 HOPE FOR A SMILE DENTAL PROGRAM (Rep. John Barnes, Jr.) To establish the Hope for a Smile Program through which buses are operated to offer dental hygiene services to Ohio schoolchildren and to fund the Program through a combination of cigarette and tobacco tax receipts, donations, and Medicaid and insurance reimbursements

STATUS: House Health Committee

HB686 ABOLISH ACADEMIC DISTRESS COMMISSIONS-COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS (Rep. John Barnes, Jr.) To enact the "Student Transformative Academic Restoration Act" to abolish academic distress commissions and to instead require the creation of community learning centers for poor performing districts, to establish an office of grants and philanthropic gestures within the Department of Education, to create the State Business Intervention Fund, to create a teacher education advancement program, and to modify earmarked appropriations for academic distress commissions

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB691 PROPERTY LEASES-SPONSOR CHANGE (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To allow school district boards of education to terminate property leases with community schools when they change sponsors

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB693 STATE CERTIFICATION-GUNS IN SCHOOLS (Rep. Ron Young) To require a state certification to carry a firearm into a school safety zone and to grant an income tax credit for school employees or contractors who have such certification

STATUS: House Federalism & Interstate Relations Committee

HB702 ESC SOCIAL WORKERS (Rep. Nathan Manning) To make an appropriation for grants to support the employment of social workers at educational service centers

STATUS: Introduced

HB703 CONCEALED CARRY-PUBLIC PREMISES (Rep. John Becker) To enact the "Decriminalization Effort For Ending Notorious Deaths -- Teachers With Options (DEFEND-TWO)" to allow a concealed handgun licensee or qualified military member to carry a concealed handgun in certain public premises, to reduce the penalty for a concealed handgun licensee who carries a concealed handgun in a prohibited place, and to prohibit public employers and universities from disciplining employees or students who lawfully carry a concealed handgun on the premises

STATUS: Introduced

HB705 LOSS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Catherine Ingram) Regarding the circumstances in which school district and educational service center treasurers may be held liable for a loss of public funds

STATUS: Introduced

HB707 ONLINE CHARTER SCHOOL ENROLLMENT (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Keith Faber) With regard to the operation of internet- and computer-based community schools and to require the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review to review the Department of Education's manual on full-time equivalency student enrollment reporting

STATUS: Introduced

HB708 PUBLIC PENSION DOUBLE DIPPING (Rep. John Becker) To enact the "Double Dippers Inappropriately Privileged (DDIP)" to provide that an individual retiring on or after the effective date of this act from one of the state's public retirement systems who is re-employed as a public employee will not receive the pension portion of the retirement allowance for the period of employment

STATUS: Introduced

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SENATE

SB3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (Sen. Bill Beagle, Sen. Troy Balderson) To designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) Passed by House, Vote 93-1; Senate concurs, Vote 32-0

SB5 INCREASING INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS (Sen. Jay Hottinger, Sen. John Eklund) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to college savings accounts and disability expense savings accounts to \$10,000 annually for each beneficiary, to create the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0; Emergency clause, Vote 32-1

SB8 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sen. Randy Gardner, Sen. Louis Terhar) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective March 23, 2018

SB9 AUGUST TAX HOLIDAY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

SB10 PRIMARY ELECTION REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Frank LaRose) To expand the circumstances under which a board of elections or the secretary of state is not required to hold a primary election

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee – Substitute bill accepted

SB15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require community colleges, state community colleges, technical colleges, and university branches to comply with minority business enterprise set-aside requirements, and to require the Director of Administrative Services to establish

guidelines for these entities, and the Northeast Ohio Medical University, to establish procurement goals for contracting with EDGE business enterprises

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB22 INCORPORATING FEDERAL REVENUE CHANGES (Sen. Bob Peterson) To expressly incorporate changes in the Internal Revenue Code since February 14, 2016, into Ohio law

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

SB34 SCHOOL YEARS (Sen. Gayle Manning) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB36 AGRICULTURAL COMPUTATION (Sen. Cliff Hite) To require that the computation of the capitalization rate for the purposes of determining CAUV of agricultural land be computed using a method that excludes appreciation and equity buildup and to stipulate that CAUV land used for a conservation practice or enrolled in a federal land retirement or conservation program for at least three years must be valued at the lowest of the values assigned on the basis of soil type

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB39 COMMUNITY SCHOOL OPERATION (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding community school operator contracts, the operation of Internet- and computer-based community schools, and performance metrics for blended learning schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB54 SUMMER FOOD PROGRAMS (Sen. Edna Brown, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB72 PREVAILING WAGE LAW (Sen. Matt Huffman) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB79 STATE DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE (Sen. Kris Jordan) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's

cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 24-9

SB82SCHOOL ABSENCES-PARENTAL NOTIFICATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To require a public school to place a telephone call within one hour of the start of the school day to a parent whose child is absent without legitimate excuse

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee

SB85OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Sen. Matt Huffman) To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB88SUBDIVISION COMMISSIONS-FISCAL EMERGENCY (Sen. Louis Terhar) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

SB97 REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB104 PROHIBIT SECLUSION USE-SCHOOLS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To prohibit the use of seclusion on students in public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB105 MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month"

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee

SB111 SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB123 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (Sen. William Coley) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB124 COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY GRANTS (Sen. Sandra Williams) To qualify students in noncredit community college and career and technical programs for Ohio College Opportunity Grants and to require the awarding of academic credit for community colleges' career certification programs

STATUS: Senate Finance-Higher Education Subcommittee

SB133 STUDENT DISCIPLINE-VIOLENT BEHAVIOR (Sen. Frank LaRose) To require the Education Management Information System to include information regarding persons at whom a student's violent behavior that resulted in discipline was directed and to require the Department of Education to submit a one-time report to the General Assembly regarding that information

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB140 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To create the Public-Private Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to develop, enhance, and promote educational programs to address regional workforce needs; to create the Sector Partnership Grant Program for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to identify and provide grants to industry partnerships; to support programs that improve access to workforce training opportunities for students; to support economic development and revitalization programs; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB149 ELECTION POLLING PLACES-SCHOOLS (Sen. Frank LaRose) Regarding the use of a school district building as a polling place for elections

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB151 SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ADJUSTMENTS (Sen. Cliff Hite) To permit, rather than require, the School Employees Retirement System to grant annual cost-of-living adjustments to retirement, disability, and survivor benefit recipients and to reduce the maximum amount of the adjustment

STATUS: Senate Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee

SB172 HUNGER-FREE STUDENTS RIGHTS (Sen. Kenny Yuko) To establish the Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB175 RECOVERED FUNDS-SCHOOL AUDIT (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) Regarding public moneys returned to the state as a result of a finding for recovery issued pursuant to an audit of a community school

STATUS: Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

SB191 ESTABLISH SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To establish the Breakfast After The Bell Program for public schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB196 AGGRAVATED BULLYING-OFFENSE CREATION (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To create the offense of aggravated bullying, a third-degree misdemeanor

STATUS: Senate Judiciary Committee

SB197 SCHOOL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES (Sen. Sandra Williams, Sen. Edna Brown) To require a tiered disciplinary procedure for harassment, intimidation, or bullying in school; to require annual student instruction about preventing such acts; and to create the offense of aggravated bullying as a third-degree misdemeanor

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB199 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. Cliff Hite) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Introduced

SB203 MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (Sen. Matt Dolan) To reinstate the municipal income tax "throw-back rule" used in apportioning business income among municipalities

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB209 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (Sen. William Coley, Sen. John Eklund) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption

STATUS: Senate Ways & Means Committee

SB213 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING PLAN (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To enhance economic and employment opportunities and improve local infrastructure in Ohio by providing additional assistance to workforce development and employment programs; establishing a revolving loan program for small businesses seeking to expand operations; extending job tax credits to smaller businesses; enabling expanded participation in public sector contracting by smaller companies; enhancing support for childcare centers; funding additional local infrastructure and public transit; authorizing tax incentives for hiring military veterans, for donating money to local programs assisting distressed communities, or for improving distressed property; exempting the homes of disabled veterans from property taxation; terminating the income tax deduction and reduced tax rate for business income; and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB216 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEREGULATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman) To enact the "Ohio Public School Deregulation Act" regarding the administration of preschool and primary and secondary education programs

**STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee
– Bill amended**

SB225 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni, Sen. John Eklund) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee – Substitute bill accepted & amended

SB226 SALES TAX HOLIDAY-SCHOOL SAFETY (Sen. Kevin Bacon) To provide for a permanent three-day sales tax "holiday" each August during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use tax, to authorize a county school financing district property tax for school safety, security, and mental health services, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

SB239 REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (Sen. Matt Dolan) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House State & Local Government Committee

SB240 REGARDING TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Sen. Peggy Lehner) With regard to teacher evaluations

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB241 ACCREDITED NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CATEGORY (Sen. Louis Terhar, Sen. Cecil Thomas) To establish a category of nonpublic schools called "accredited nonpublic schools" and to prescribe requirements and exemptions for such schools

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB246 STUDENT SAFETY ACT (Sen. Peggy Lehner, Sen. Gayle Manning) To enact the "SAFE Act" to revise the procedures for emergency removal of a student, to prohibit certain suspensions and expulsions of students in grades prekindergarten through three, to require each public school to implement a positive behavior intervention and supports framework in accordance with state standards, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: (Passed by Senate) House Education & Career Readiness Committee

SB258 AWARDING SCHOOL SAFETY FUNDS (Sen. Joe Schiavoni) To require the State Board of Education to establish criteria and procedures for the awarding of school safety funds to school districts and to make an appropriation

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB262 EATING DISORDER EDUCATION (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To require public schools annually to provide parents of students in any of grades five through twelve with educational information regarding eating disorders

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB266 CAPITAL BUDGET (Sen. Scott Oelslager) To make capital appropriations and changes to the law governing capital projects and to make reappropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2020

STATUS: Senate Finance Committee

SB276 EXPULSION OF STUDENTS (Sen. Jay Hottinger) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for actions that endanger the health and safety of other students or school employees

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB287 K-12 HEALTH EDUCATION STANDARDS (Sen. Vernon Sykes) To require the State Board of Education to develop and adopt health education standards for grades kindergarten through twelve and to require only venereal disease education standards and curriculum adopted by the State Board to be approved by concurrent resolution of the General Assembly

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB289 THREATS OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE (Sen. Stephanie Kunze) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for communicating a threat of violence to occur on school grounds

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB293 REDUCTION OF AGENCY REGULATIONS (Sen. Bob Peterson, Sen. Robert McColley) To require agencies to reduce the number of regulatory restrictions

STATUS: Senate Transportation, Commerce & Workforce Committee

SB294 PILOT PROJECT SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNTS (Sen. John Eklund, Sen. Peggy Lehner) To increase the maximum amount that may be awarded to students under the Pilot Project (Cleveland) Scholarship Program

STATUS: Senate Education Committee

SB302 HEALTH AND EQUITY INITIATIVE (Sen. Charleta Tavares) To create the Health and Equity in All Policies Initiative and the Health and Equity Interagency Team

STATUS: Introduced

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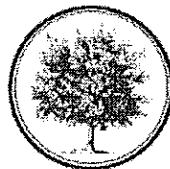
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"The Supreme Court today in *Janus v. AFSCME* announced its basic rule of human decency and common sense: consent matters-and our hardworking public-sector workers can no longer be forced to pay for political speech or other activities without their affirmative consent."

The Buckeye Institute also announced the launch of its WorkersChoose.org website to assist public-sector workers with information about how to notify their unions about whether they would like to consent or not.

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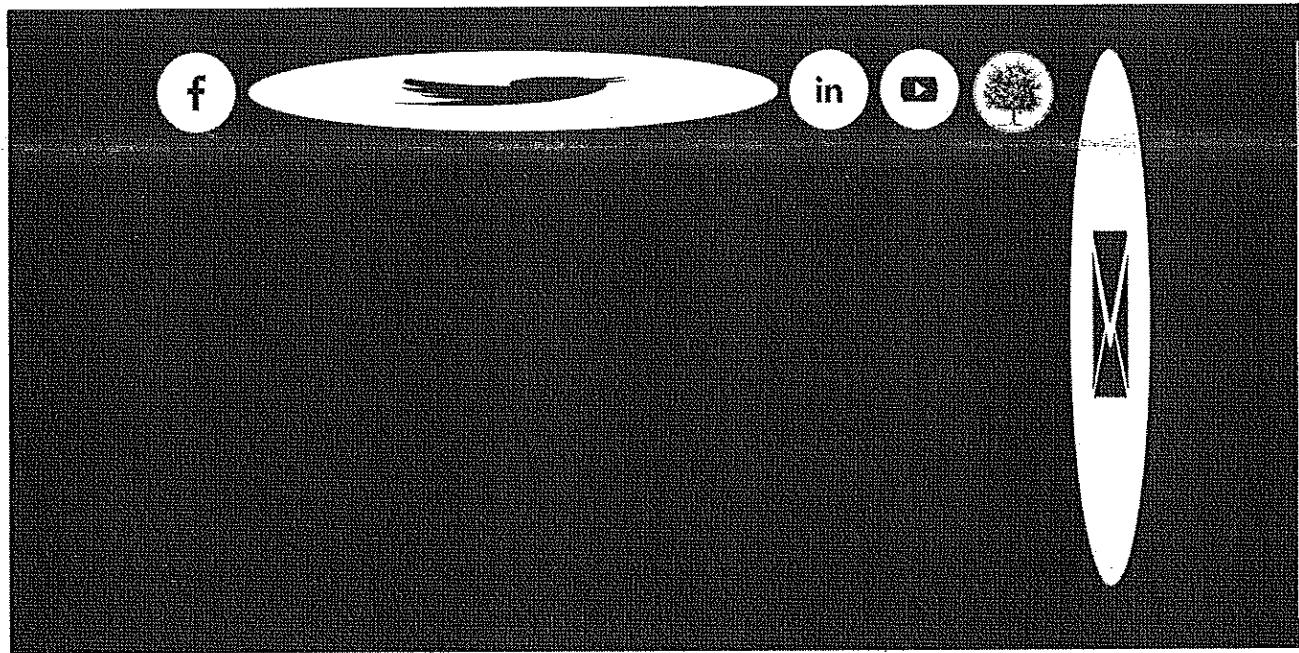
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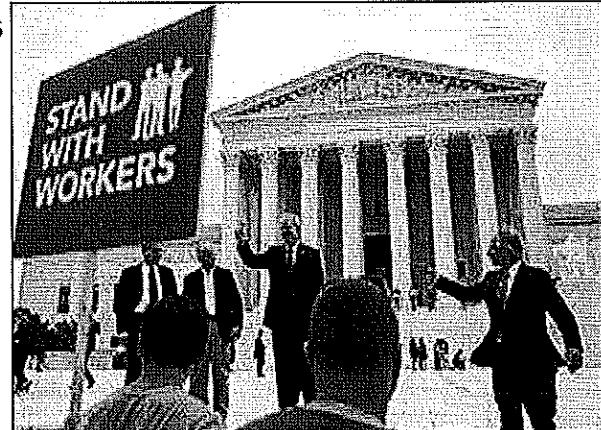
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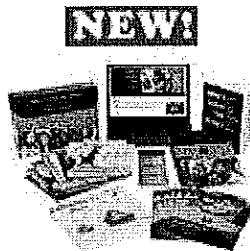




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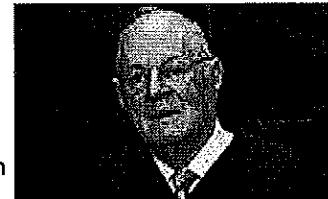
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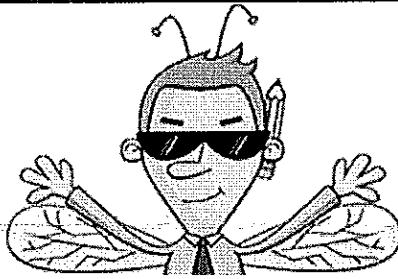
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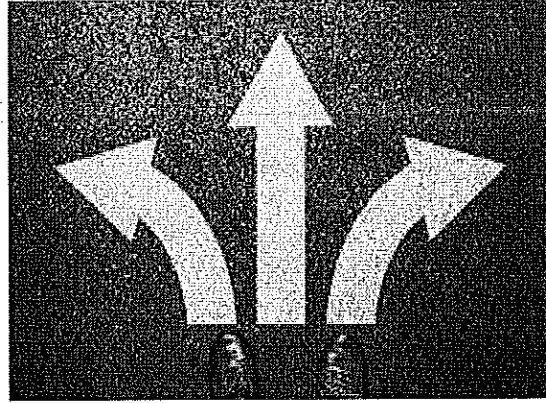
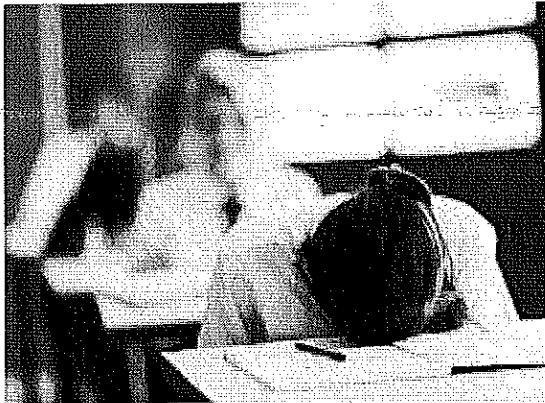


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Upwards of 3.6 million high school seniors graduated this year, and most of them left twelfth grade with a reasonable complement of the knowledge and skills we expect of those taking their first steps into adulthood—be that college, career or technical training, military service, even a fruitful “gap year.” Most—but not all. Recent scandals in Washington, D.C., Maryland, and elsewhere have made it clear that far too many students are still being shuttled through secondary school with little regard for whether they leave with the requisite skills. Many believe this is a victimless act: “These struggling students will be even worse off without diplomas!” some might declare. But step back a moment and you will see the harm. [Read more.](#)

Dubious move to reject Advanced Placement

By Chester E. Finn, Jr.

An octet of Washington, D.C.-area private schools recently announced that they'll no longer offer Advanced Placement courses, and made much of how the home-grown classes that will replace AP "allow for authentic engagement with the world and demonstrate respect for students' intellectual curiosity and interests." That's apt to resonate with upper-middle class parents whose children attend these schools and are likely to do fine in college and beyond, with or without AP. For the vast majority of American families, however, desperate for quality schooling and solid college prospects for their own children, this whole maneuver looks snobby and smug. It's also off-base and disingenuous. [Read more.](#)

States' newfound freedom to fix or replace struggling schools: Advice for state boards

By Brandon L. Wright

States have long struggled to turn around low-performing schools, but they now have the freedom under ESSA to bring creativity to the task. The law grants them significant deference, and \$1.1 billion in the current fiscal year, to achieve this goal. And state boards are among the entities best poised to effect this change. ESSA frontloads responsibility on local officials, so the challenge for state leaders is to achieve the right sequence of carrot and stick. They must persuade, cajole, and challenge districts into taking effective action to improve student outcomes, but they also need local leaders to know they will use the "rigorous interventions" the law demands if failures persist. [Read more.](#)

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To fix the gaming of graduation requirements, we need to overhaul high schools and our policies governing them

By Michael J. Petrilli

We armchair-quarterbacks of education have made a complete hash of the policies governing high schools and what's expected of young people seeking to graduate from them. Our first mistake was to set sky-high goals around graduation rates, while allowing local officials great discretion in defining what it takes for students to earn a diploma. Our second big error has been to resist anything resembling tracking. Until we fix these problems, we should expect the cheating and gaming to continue. [Read more.](#)

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Bringing Head Start programming into the home

By Jeff Murray

If a little treatment goes a long way, does it stand to reason that more treatment will go even further? A research team led by Karen Bierman of Penn State University recently tested this idea. The treatment in question is the Research-Based and Developmentally Informed preschool classroom program, which researchers extended via a home-visiting program designed to train parents as surrogate teachers. They found that, consistent with their previous studies, students who received the latter treatment at home scored significantly better on all measures at the end of kindergarten than did students receiving only the classroom program and a packet of math-learning games in the mail. [Read more.](#)

REPORT

The diversity of Denver's school portfolio

By Tyler Hughes

A recent A+ Colorado report examined whether Denver's portfolio-style district—which comprises numerous autonomous public schools employing different educational strategies and philosophies—offers an equal variety of options for students in all areas of the city and in all grades, as well as whether its various school models correlate with higher or lower test scores. It finds, among other things, that each region offers a unique set of options for students, but some regions have more diverse offerings than others, and no one region has seats in every school model. Nor is any one model consistently high quality. [Read more.](#)

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REPORT: *Self-Discipline and Catholic Schools: Evidence from Two National Cohorts*

Regardless of where you stand in the debate currently raging over school discipline, one thing seems certain: It is better for kids to show self-discipline than to have it externally imposed. Over the years, Catholic schools have been particularly committed to the formation of sound character, including the development of self-discipline. But how well has that worked? Do students in Catholic school actually exhibit more self-discipline than their peers—and if so, what can those schools teach other public and private schools about how it can be fostered? This report examines these questions and finds that students in Catholic schools do indeed exhibit more self-control and self-discipline and are less likely to act out or be disruptive than peers in other private or public schools. This suggests that schools that value and focus on self-discipline will likely do a better job of fostering it in children; that other schools have something to learn from Catholic schools when it comes to fostering self-discipline; and that we should not underestimate the power of religion to positively influence a child's behavior—and thus shouldn't restrict families' choices on the basis of religion. [Read more.](#)

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What have we learned from the Gates-funded teacher evaluation reforms?

By Matthew A. Kraft

Nine years, \$575 million dollars, and 500-plus pages later, what have we learned about the Gates Foundation's ambitious efforts to improve teacher effectiveness through evaluation and human capital reforms? The headlines about the RAND Corporation's recently released final report on the The Intensive Partnerships for Effective Teaching initiative have focused on the lack of any consistent effects on student outcomes. But the real story here is the many insights about implementation—what actually happened on the ground—based on rich qualitative and survey data. [Read more.](#)

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Crowdsourcing request: Best educational YouTube channels for kids?

By Michael J. Petrilli

Fordham has published a list of TV shows for young kids and for families, a compilation of educational videos, and a list of recommended apps. Now for the next frontier: YouTube. It feels like a miracle that there's such good content being produced, and makes us wonder what else we should be sampling. To that end, we took a spin around the yonders of YouTube and found numerous worthwhile offerings for various age groups and academic subjects. But we also want our list to be as complete as possible, so check it out and let us know what we missed. [Read more.](#)

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No, they aren't amazing because they finished fifth grade

By Erika Sanzi

Is a fifth grade graduation really all that amazing? Are we really high-fiving and showering our kids with gifts because they finished eighth grade? There was a time when graduations were only for twelfth graders. Yes, there are circumstances in which these milestones and achievements can be remarkable: war-torn countries, violence-ridden communities, children who have overcome the odds of illness or trauma. But most of suburban America is caught up in a culture that over-praises the most basic achievements, as if finishing elementary school was even up for negotiation or "graduating" from eighth grade symbolizes some sort of triumph. Let's stop. [Read more.](#)

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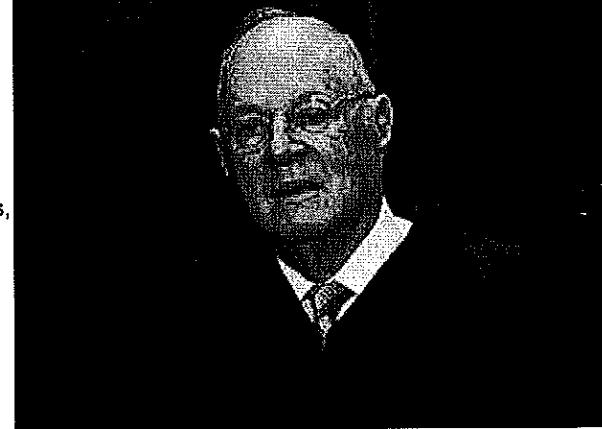
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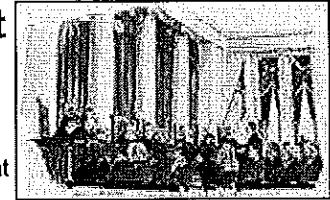
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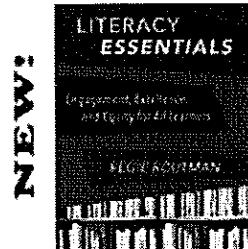
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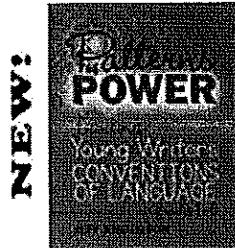
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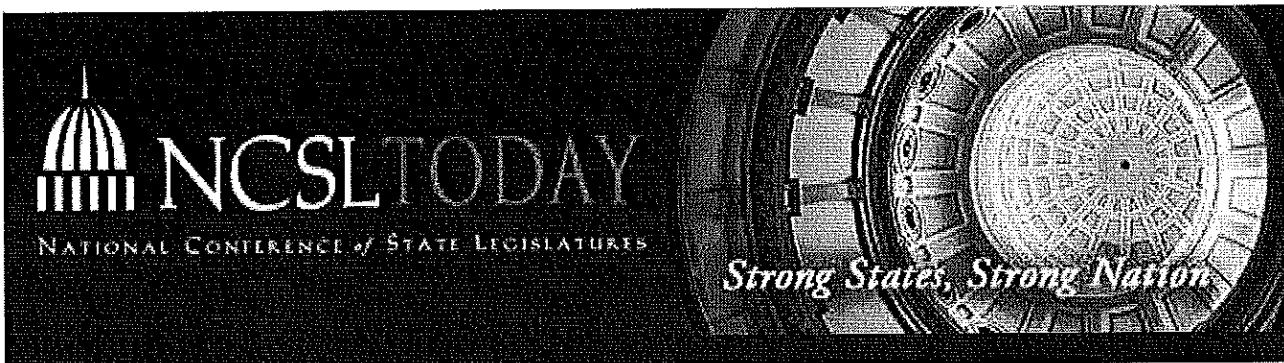
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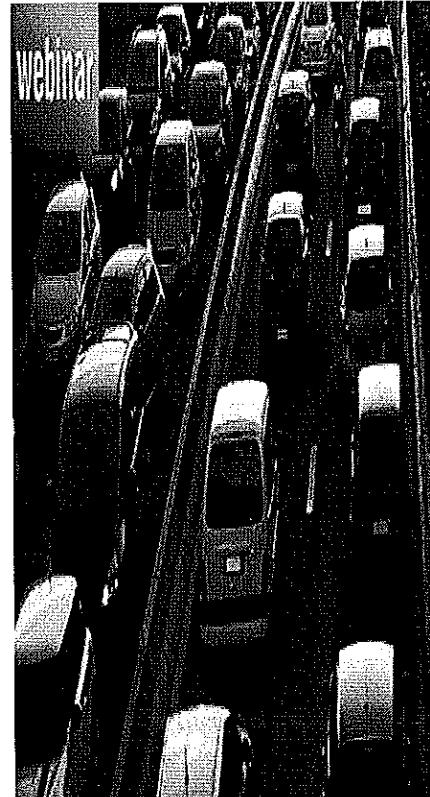
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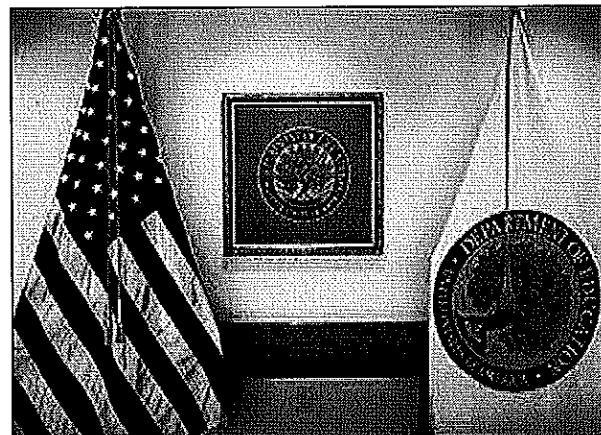
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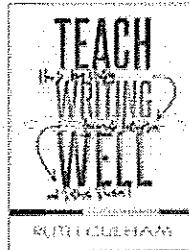
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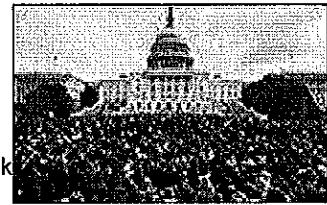
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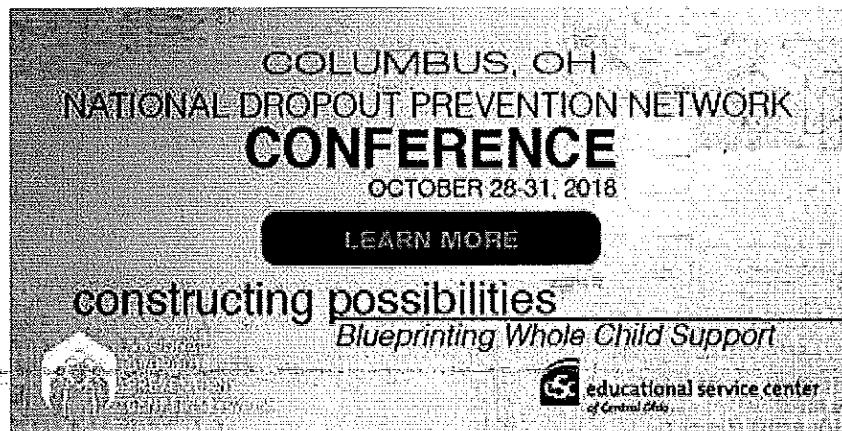
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OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY PASSES MUCH LEGISLATION –

The Ohio General Assembly had a busy week passing much legislation including several bills impacting education policy. Senate Bill 216 (SB216) includes provisions impacting the Ohio Teacher Evaluation System, licensure rules, highly qualified teacher requirements, state assessments, College Credit Plus, the “N-size” for calculation of annual measurable objectives, five-year financial forecasts and more. House Bill 87 (HB87) also included education policy-related legislation such as the distribution of community school funds as a result of a finding for recovery from the Auditor of State, school district treasurer duties and more. These bills and many others are headed to Governor Kasich’s office for review, potential line item vetoes, and signature into law. (NOTE: Ohio education- and local government-related legislation updates are included at the end of each Wrap.)

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School Resource Officers: Calming Influence or Unneeded Police Presence? – Columbus Dispatch

- Fifteen school districts out of 19 in or near Franklin County have a police officer permanently stationed in at least some of their buildings

CANAL WINCHESTER LOCAL SCHOOLS

Canal Winchester School District Satisfied with Limited Open Enrollment – This Week

- Students who want to attend Canal Winchester schools through the district's open-enrollment program have until the end of May each year to apply. But it doesn't matter how many applications are received -- the district limits its open enrollment to 100 students

CW Students Ramp Up Their Tech Skills – Columbus Messenger

- Summer break started late for a group of tech savvy Canal Winchester Middle School students as they delved into the information technology world for two weeks

CHILLICOTHE CITY SCHOOLS

City Schools to Take Step toward Second Levy Try – Chillicothe Gazette

- The Chillicothe City Schools Board of Education on Monday will take the next step toward a second try to get a substitute tax levy approved by district voters in November

Chillicothe School Board Has Mixed Reaction to Tiffin Principal's Resignation – Chillicothe Gazette

- The Chillicothe City Schools Board of Education Monday accepted the resignation of Tiffin Elementary Principal Todd Shoemaker, but not before

some mixed reactions to the resignation were voiced by a couple of board members

FAIRBANKS LOCAL SCHOOLS

Fairbanks Principals Report on Year's Goals – Marysville Journal-Tribune

- Fairbanks Elementary School Principal Mark Lotycz received an award on behalf of the school from Mark Jones, associate executive director of the Ohio Association of Elementary School Administrators, for being designated as a "hall of fame" school during a Fairbanks board of education meeting

MARYSVILLE SCHOOLS

School Extend Contract with Hospital – Marysville Journal-Tribune

- At Thursday's meeting, the Marysville Board of Education approved a contract with Memorial Hospital to provide athletic training services for the district through 2027

NEW ALBANY-PLAIN LOCAL SCHOOLS

School Year's Strong Finish Created Momentum for Next – This Week Eagle Eye on Education

- Michael Sawyers, superintendent of New Albany-Plain Local Schools, writes that across their district, they saw tremendous learning and growth, and they have much to celebrate as they fulfill their district purpose, "to create a culture of accountability that achieves the best academic and developmental outcomes for each student"

OLENTANGY LOCAL SCHOOLS

Leaders Look Forward to Berlin High School's Opening – This Week

- The final touches are being put on Olentangy's fourth high school in anticipation of the 2018-19 school year

Olentangy Parents Asked to Rate 2019-20 Calendar – This Week

- The Olentangy Local School District wants some input on its 2019 academic calendar

OLHS Principal Changing Roles – Delaware Gazette

- After spending three years as principal at Olentangy Liberty High School, Bill Warfield will be stepping down from that role in order to transition into the curriculum department for the Olentangy Local School District. Warfield was promoted from vice principal at Liberty to principal ahead of the 2015-16 school year

SOUTH-WESTERN CITY SCHOOLS

Avoiding the 'Summer Slide' – This Week

- While students in the South-Western City School District may have closed their school books for the summer, district and library representatives urge parents to encourage them to keep reading ...

WHITEHALL CITY SCHOOLS

Smathers Will Stay in Whitehall after All – This Week

- Whitehall-Yearling High School Principal Paul Smathers' U-turn this week means he will remain as the school's principal when students return Aug. 20

WORTHINGTON CITY SCHOOLS

Worthington to Add Officers to Its Two High Schools – Columbus Dispatch

- After a second meeting filled with contentious debate, the Worthington Board of Education on Monday night voted 3-2 for adding school resource officers to the district's two high schools

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Ohio Department of Education/State Board of Education

Get Familiar with New Report Card Elements – ODE

- The 2018 Ohio School Report Cards will include new calculations this year and some existing calculations are changing from prior years. If you are involved in any local report card processes, please take a few moments now to make sure you are aware of these changes and understand what you can do to make sure your letter grades are calculated accurately on your report cards

Lead Plumbing Fixture Replacement Assistance Grants Available – ODE

- The Ohio Facilities Construction Commission invites schools to apply for the Lead Plumbing Fixture Replacement Assistance Grant Program, if they have not already done so

Notify ODE of New or Discontinuing Blended Learning Program by July 1 – ODE

- School districts and community schools must notify the Ohio Department of Education by July 1 regarding new or discontinuing blended learning programs

Senate Bill 216 & College Credit Plus (June 2018) – ODHE

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Common Application for List of Approved Assessments – ODE

- This was not a competitive procurement process. All vendor proposals that met the minimum criteria in the Common RFQ are listed below with the assessments for which they were approved. These can be administered by districts and schools beginning in the 2018-2019 school year

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Joint Education Oversight Committee

State, Providers Brief JEOC on Early Childhood, Adult Education Programs – Hannah

The Joint Education Oversight Committee (JEOC) focused Thursday on state efforts addressing both edges of the K-12 system -- publicly funded child care and early education, and programs for adults to earn high school diplomas

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Ohio School Finance & Budget

Study: Teacher Pay Often Not a Living Wage, But Ohio Ranks Better – Springfield News-Sun

- Ohio's average teacher salary ranks ninth highest by this metric, at 9.7 percent above living wage, according to the study, which adjusts for local variations

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Ohio Education & Public Policy

A Year Later, No Money Has Been Spent from State Fund to Help Parents Keep Kids – Columbus Dispatch

- After a years-long fight, the families and their supporters had reason to celebrate. Ohio finally was creating a fund that could be tapped to help pay for desperately needed services for children at risk of entering the justice or foster-care systems

GOP Advancing E-School Changes, Protecting Schools Who Took ECOT

Students – Columbus Dispatch

- Ohio lawmakers are set to protect what is now the state's largest online charter school from seeing its sponsor's rating impacted by the large number of ECOT students enrolled after that school shut down in January

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Ohio Legislature Sends Package of E-School Bills to Kasich – Columbus Dispatch

- With ECOT closed and other Ohio e-schools still struggling to verify the enrollment numbers used to pay them, state legislators sent a package of proposals to Gov John Kasich aimed at clarifying the basis for paying the schools

Senate Passes Government Regulations Reduction, Community School Legislation – Hannah

- The Ohio Senate passed 15 bills and took action on a flurry of others Wednesday, including two bills that look to cut government regulations and another that had been amended to address community schools

Senate Panel Seeks to Clarify E-School ‘Safe Harbor’ Provisions – Hannah

- The Senate Education Committee on Wednesday adopted several amendments into charter school public money bill HB87 (Roegner) before reporting it out of committee, including two seeking to clarify e-school language accepted into a separate education-related bill in the House

House OKs Religious Rights Bills, Child Marriage Ban, Rules on Explicit Images – Hannah

- The House voted Wednesday to set rules on releasing police body camera footage, defining when clergy and churches can refuse to perform or celebrate marriages, specifying how schools should treat student religious conduct, punishing distribution of revenge porn, regulating pharmacy pricing and barring most child marriages

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DeWine Unveils Campaign Platform Aimed at Improving Children's Lives – Hannah

- Attorney General Mike DeWine announced his first major campaign platform Thursday since winning the Republican nomination for governor, focusing on six items to improve the lives of children in the state

DeWine Proposes Agenda to Help Ohio Children – Columbus Dispatch

- Ohio is leaving too many children and their families behind, Republican Mike DeWine said Thursday in unveiling steps he would take as governor to give children a chance to succeed from an early age

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Cleveland's School Funding Claims Are "Not Accurate," State Budget Director Says – Cleveland Plain Dealer

- State officials continue to say the Cleveland school district is exaggerating how much school construction money it could lose as it builds its next round of schools

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Community College, University Leaders Emphasize Degree Completion to Affordability Committee – Hannah

- More support is needed for low income students at colleges and university to ensure that they complete their respective programs, according to the remarks made Thursday by higher education representatives to the Joint Committee on Ohio College Affordability

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Ohio Reports

Ohio Early College High Schools: Getting Students on the Fast Track to Success – KnowledgeWorks

- The 13 early colleges that make up the Ohio Early College Association (OECA) provide each student with an academic roadmap that accelerates them through a rigorous high school course of study, helping students earn transferrable college credits while still in high school, at no additional cost to the students or their families. At many schools, students graduate high school with both a diploma and an associate degree

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Supreme Court Upholds Trump 'Travel Ban' Opposed by Education Groups – EdWeek

A sharply divided U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday upheld President Donald Trump's proclamation restricting travel to the United States from residents of five predominantly Muslim countries, in a case being watched by educators

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- The U.S. Supreme Court has overruled a 41-year-old precedent and held that the teachers' unions and other public-employee labor organizations may not collect fees for collective bargaining from workers who decline to join the union

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Justice Kennedy Retiring From High Court, Had Deep Imprint in Education Arena – EdWeek

- Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, a highly influential moderate-conservative at the center of the U.S. Supreme Court for three decades who wrote major opinions on race, religion, and other areas of public education, announced his retirement on Wednesday, just hours after the court closed out its 2017-18 term

Bipartisan Career and Technical Education Bill Approved by Key Senate Committee – EdWeek

- The Senate education committee agreed unanimously via voice vote Tuesday to favorably report a bill reauthorizing the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act to the full Senate

Betsy DeVos: How We Can Catch Up to Other Countries in Education – EdWeek Commentary

- The U.S. secretary of education reflects on lessons from her trip abroad

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Education Policy & Finance

No Election-Year Lull for State Lawmakers on K-12 Issues – EdWeek

- After a convulsive start to 2018 marked by school shootings, teacher strikes, and fiscal uncertainty in many states, legislatures stepped into high gear, scrapping governors' budget proposals, scrambling to address school security, and—at breakneck speed—forking over generous pay raises to teachers

State Funding Strategies to Support Education Innovation – iNACOL

- This issue brief offers state policy strategies and five action steps for funding innovation in K-12 education. iNACOL is frequently asked how states are funding innovation in K-12 education and what the most common funding needs are

Revenues and Expenditures for Public Elementary and Secondary School Districts: School Year 2014-15 (Fiscal Year 2015) – USDOE/IES/NCES

- This First Look report presents data on public elementary and secondary education revenues and expenditures at the local education agency (LEA) or school district level for fiscal year (FY) 2015

Summaries of States' ESSA School Quality/Student Success Measures – Education Evolving

- The School Quality or Student Success (SQ/SS) indicator was one of the most talked about and biggest decisions that fell to the states in drafting their new ESSA accountability plans. This memo summarizes the chosen SQ/SS measures for each state, DC, and Puerto Rico

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Educator Effectiveness

Encouraging More High School Students to Consider Teaching – ACT

- A new report from ACT, Encouraging More High School Students to Consider Teaching, aims to better understand why students may or may not be interested in the teaching profession, as well as which students have demonstrated interest in an education major

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Personalized Learning Frameworks

Understanding Learner Variability – THE Journal

- Digital Promise wants to educate people about "learner variability." To that end, the organization recently published a paper to explain the concept and direct people to the use of the resources it has available through its Learner Positioning System (LPS) initiative

Learner Variability Is the Rule, Not the Exception – Digital Promise

- Learner variability, as defined here, embraces both students who struggle and those who thrive. Why? Because of the natural variability found in each person, in school and beyond

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School Improvement

Four Domains for Rapid School Improvement: A Systems Framework – WestEd Center on School Turnaround

- To support educators in creating such systems, the Center on School Turnaround at WestEd (CST) has developed a framework to assist states, districts, and schools in leading and managing rapid improvement efforts. The framework shares, in practical language, the critical practices of successful school turnaround in four domains, or areas of focus, that research and experience suggest are central to rapid and significant improvement: turnaround leadership, talent development, instructional transformation, and culture shift. At a more fine-grained level, the framework then offers examples of how each practice would be put into action at each level of the system

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States Ramping Up Mental Health Education in Schools – Star Tribune

- Amid sharply rising rates of teen suicide and adolescent mental illness, two states have enacted laws that for the first time require public schools to include mental health education in their basic curriculum

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Apprenticeship America: An Idea to Reinvent Postsecondary Skills for the Digital Age – Third Way

- A crisis of human capital today is keeping millions of Americans from the opportunity to earn a good life. Employers' growing demand for skilled, well-paid workers is unmet, because—outside of the four-year college degree—postsecondary education is not sufficiently connected to the modern workplace. It is an industrial-era model failing to deliver in the digital age

High School Grads Want Job Skills Next, Survey Shows – Education DIVE

- A new report from the College Savings Foundation (CSF) finds that 81% of high school students in its survey seek skills training, and an increasing number are considering technical schools and community colleges

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Ohio Legislation Update

(Recent bill action in RED. Signed into law by Governor in GREEN.)

HOUSE

HB3 DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Christina Hagan) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations

STATUS: House Finance Committee – Reported out

HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 29-0; House concurs, Vote 88-0

HB14AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION (Rep. Kathleen Clyde) To require that eligible persons in certain government and school databases be automatically registered to vote or have their registrations updated automatically unless those persons decline and to expand how a voter may register or update their registration through the online voter registration system

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB21COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 31-0; House concurs, Vote 87-0

HB24VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS-TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Timothy Ginter) - To modify the existing tax exemption for veterans organizations' property, to make appropriations and otherwise provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB37SCHOOL SAFETY-STRUCTURES (Rep. Steve Arndt) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to establish a program assisting school districts in purchasing technology and making physical alterations to improve technology infrastructure and school safety and security

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB40GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Dave Greenspan) To require the Treasurer of State to establish the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out

HB47 STUDENTS IN MILITARY (Rep. John Boccieri) To enact the "Students to Soldiers Support Act (S3A)" regarding the participation of students who are serving in the uniformed services in extracurricular activities at public and nonpublic schools and public and private colleges

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB49 OPERATING BUDGET (Rep. Ryan Smith) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective July 1, 2017

HB51 DEPARTMENT REVIEW SCHEDULE (Rep. Keith Faber) To require standing committees of the General Assembly to establish a schedule for the periodic review and sunset of state departments that are currently in the Governor's cabinet, and to require that Auditor of State performance audits be scheduled to coincide with the periodic review

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB53 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (Rep. John Becker) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB58 CURSIVE HANDWRITING INSTRUCTION (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Marilyn Slaby) To require instruction in cursive handwriting

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 89-4

HB66 UNDERGRAD MISSION STUDY COMMITTEE (Rep. Ron Young) To require permanently tenured state university or college faculty members to teach at least three credit hours of undergraduate courses per semester

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB69 LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (Rep. Bob Cupp) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective March 23, 2018

HB74 INCREASE COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. Stephen Huffman, Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To increase the maximum income tax deduction for contributions to the state's 529 college savings program from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per beneficiary per year

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB77SICK-CHILD CARE LICENSURE (Rep. Wes Rutherford) To provide for the licensure of sick-child care centers

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB80SCHOOL FOOD-SUMMER INTERVENTION (Rep. Sarah LaTourette, Rep. Kent Smith) To require school districts to allow approved summer food service program sponsors to use school facilities to provide food service for summer intervention services under certain conditions

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HB89AUGUST SALES TAX HOLIDAY (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To provide for a three-day sales tax "holiday" in August 2017 during which sales of clothing and school supplies are exempt from sales and use taxes

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB98CAREER INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS (Rep. Mike Duffey, Rep. Kristin Boggs) Regarding the presentation of career information to students

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective June 29, 2018

HB102 SCHOOL FUNDING REFORM (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To replace locally levied school district property taxes with a statewide property tax and require recipients of certain tax exemptions to reimburse the state for such levy revenue lost due to those exemptions; to increase the state sales and use tax rates and allocate additional revenue to state education purposes; to repeal school district income taxes; to require the Treasurer of State to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to create a new system of funding schools where the state pays a specified amount per student that each student may use to attend the public or chartered nonpublic school of the student's choice, without the requirement of a local contribution; to eliminate the School Facilities Commission; to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program, Pilot Project Scholarship Program, Autism Scholarship Program, and Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarship Program; to eliminate interdistrict open enrollment; to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis; and to permit school districts to enter into a memoranda of understanding for one district to manage another

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB103 FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective October 17, 2017

HB108 INFORMED STUDENT DOCUMENT ACT (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Robert McColley) To require one-half unit of financial literacy in the high school curriculum, to require the Chancellor of Higher Education to prepare an informed student document for each institution of higher education, to require the State Board of Education to include information on the informed student document in the standards and model curricula it creates for financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and to entitle the act the "Informed Student Document Act"

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB110 COLLEGE CREDIT APPRENTICESHIPS (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Bill Dean) To create a subprogram of the College Credit Plus Program that permits students to participate in certified apprenticeship programs

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB118 TAX COMPLAINT DISMISSAL (Rep. Derek Merrin) To expressly prohibit the dismissal of a property tax complaint for failure to correctly identify the property owner

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0

HB124 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY (Rep. Andrew Brenner, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To authorize a joint vocational school district to submit the question of a renewal tax levy to voters who did not have an opportunity to vote on the levy at an election held in November of 2015 because the levy was only placed on the ballot in one of several counties in which the district has territory

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective immediately

HB129 SCHOOL EXTERNSHIPS-GOVERNOR (Rep. Kent Smith, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require the Governor to complete a forty-hour externship consisting of on-site work experience in city, local, and exempted village school districts in the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB134 SCHOOL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To allow community improvements board grants to a school district to be spent for permanent improvements outside the county so long as the improvements are within the school district

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee – Reported out as amended

HB163 PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB166 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM REVISIONS (Rep. William Reineke, Rep. Bob Cupp) To revise the laws governing the state's workforce development system, programs that may be offered by primary and secondary schools, certificates of qualification for employment, and the Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Agency, and to designate the first week of May as In-Demand Jobs Week

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB170 COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Mike Duffey) With regard to academic content standards and curriculum requirements for computer science; to revise educator qualifications regarding computer science; and to authorize public schools to establish computer science and technology funds

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective March 23, 2018

HB176 SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS (Rep. Andrew Thompson) With regard to state achievement assessments, statewide academic content standards and model curricula, and teacher and administrator evaluations

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB179 IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (Rep. Candice Keller) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB181 ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT STANDARDS (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. Tom Brinkman) With regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB186 COLLEGE TAX DEDUCTION (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Gary Scherer) To enact the "Blair Deduction" to allow an individual obtaining a postsecondary degree or credential from an eligible educational institution to claim an income tax deduction for qualified higher education expenses

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB200 OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATION (Koehler, K) - To eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Bill amended

HB203 YOUTH SUMMER JOBS INITIATIVE (Barnes, Jr., J) - To require the Director of Development Services to establish a youth summer jobs pledging initiative to increase access to summer employment opportunities for high school and college youth

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Bill amended

HB217 COLLEGE APPLICATIONS-DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS (Rep. Andrew Brenner) To prohibit institutions of higher education from requiring students to disclose disciplinary actions on their applications for admission

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB220 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDS (Rep. David Leland) With regard to the use of funds by community schools and nonpublic schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB224 RE-SERVING SCHOOL LUNCH ITEMS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To permit districts and schools to re-serve time- and temperature-controlled food items to students if items are unused and returned unopened, undamaged, and in the original packaging

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB227 LICENSE PLATE-KENSTON LOCAL SCHOOLS (Rep. Sarah LaTourette)

To create the "Kenston Local Schools" license plate

STATUS: House Transportation & Public Safety Committee – Reported out as amended

HB235 EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT PROCEDURE (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) Regarding procedures for approval or disapproval of the state education plan for the federal Every Student Succeeds Act

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB237 MULTICOUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS (Rep. Dorothy Pelanda) To require a political subdivision with territory in more than one county that places an issue on the ballot to notify the board of elections of every county in which the political subdivision has territory, to require the Secretary of State to establish a database to facilitate communication between the boards of elections and the Secretary concerning local elections, and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB240 RESPECT YOUR DATE ACT (Barnes, Jr. J) To enact the "Respect Your Date Act" to designate the month of April as "Respect Your Date Month" and to require each state institution of higher education to adopt a policy regarding dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and rape on campus and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Reported out as amended

HB242 SCHOOL RETIREMENT-COST OF LIVING (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding School Employees Retirement System annual cost-of-living adjustments

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB246 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY CLASSROOMS (Rep. John Boccieri, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To require the Ohio School Facilities Commission to provide funding to certain county boards of developmental disabilities to assist in the acquisition of classroom facilities

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB262 INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (Rep. James Butler, Jr., Rep. Mark Romanchuk) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee

HB298 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE SICK DAYS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To make changes with respect to the number of sick days provided to public employees

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB312 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (Rep. Kirk Schuring, Rep. Dave Greenspan) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee – Substitute bill accepted & reported out; Passed by Senate, Vote 32-0; House concurred, Vote 91-0

HB318 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER DEFINITION (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) To define the necessary qualifications and responsibilities of school resource officers

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 33-0

HB322 SCHOOL EMERGENCY PLANS (Rep. Adam Miller, Rep. Bernadine Kent) To revise the law regarding emergency management plans and school safety drills;

to require each educational service center to employ an emergency response planner; to make an appropriation; and to declare an emergency

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB337 TEXTBOOK SALES TAX EXEMPTION (Rep. Mike Duffey) To exempt from sales and use tax textbooks purchased by post-secondary students

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee – Reported out as amended

HB338 BUS DRIVER MEDICAL EXAMS (Rep. Tim Ginter) Regarding medical examinations for school bus drivers

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Government Oversight & Reform Committee

HB342 LOCAL TAX ISSUES-ELECTION DATES (Rep. Derek Merrin) To permit local tax-related proposals to appear only on general and primary election ballots and not on an August special election ballot and to modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 61-32

HB343 PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (Rep. Derek Merrin) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Ways & Means Committee

HB360 ANTI-BULLYING AND HAZING (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and public colleges

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Education Committee

HB361 PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (Rep. Dave Greenspan) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 91-2

HB363 CAMPUS FREE SPEECH (Rep. Rick Carfagna, Rep. Andrew Brenner) To enact the "Campus Free Speech Act" with respect to the freedom of speech and assembly at state institutions of higher education and the charging and allocation of student activity fees

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB369 PER PUPIL FUNDING GUARANTEE (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for certain school districts and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB377 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE EDUCATION (Rep. Christina Hagan, Rep. Dan Ramos) With respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse

and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB378 OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (Rep. Ryan Smith, Rep. Jack Cera) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Finance Committee

HB383 CHILD CARE HEALTH & SAFETY RISKS (Rep. Rick Carfagna) Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 91-2

HB396 STEM DEGREE LOAN REPAYMENT (Rep. John Patterson, Rep. Rick Carfagna) To create the STEM Degree Loan Repayment Program and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Finance Committee

HB399 HEALTH INSURANCE SAVINGS INCENTIVES (Rep. Michael Henne, Rep. James Butler, Jr.) To enact the Ohio Right to Shop Act to require health insurers to establish shared savings incentive programs for enrollees

STATUS: House Health Committee

HB413 PERS ADJUSTMENT-DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EMPLOYEES (Rep. Gary Scherer) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) annual cost-of-living adjustments granted to allowance and benefit recipients and PERS service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee

HB418 SCHOOL RECORDS TRANSFER (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To require a public or chartered nonpublic school to transmit a student's records within five business days when the student transfers to another school

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB426 SCHOOL SEXUAL CONDUCT (Rep. Christina Hagan) To prohibit an employee of a school or institution of higher education who is not in a position of authority from engaging in sexual conduct with certain students

STATUS: House Criminal Justice Committee

HB428 STUDENT RELIGIOUS LIBERTIES ACT (Rep. Tim Ginter, Rep. Sarah LaTourette) Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2018"

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 62-20

HB432 STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN & LICENSURE (Rep. Kristin Boggs, Rep. Brigid Kelly) To require student loan servicers to be licensed by the Division of Financial Institutions and to create the position of student loan ombudsperson in the Division of Financial Institutions to provide assistance to student loan borrowers

STATUS: House Financial Institutions, Housing & Urban Development Committee

HB438 ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions

STATUS: (Passed by House) Passed by Senate, Vote 31-0; House concurs, Vote 72-15

HB442 SCHOOL ATHLETICS-F1 VISA (Rep. Niraj Antani) To authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who attends an elementary or secondary school in Ohio and holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics at that school on the same basis as Ohio residents

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB443 MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION (Rep. Martin Sweeney) To require school district boards of education to incorporate mental health instruction into their health education curricula

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB449 CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR RATINGS-UNIVERSITIES (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. John Patterson) To require the Department of Education to attribute any community school sponsor ratings an entity received during its relationship with a state university board of trustees to that entity even if it no longer has a relationship with the university

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB477 ELIMINATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS (Rep. Kyle Koehler) To eliminate various provisions and programs related to the Department of Education and the operation of primary and secondary schools

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 93-0

HB487 RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL-COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (Rep. Catherine Ingram) To eliminate the right of first refusal for community schools, college-preparatory boarding schools, and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics schools in the acquisition of school district real property

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB488 PROPERTY TAX LEVY-BALLOT LANGUAGE (Rep. Ron Hood, Rep. John Becker) To modify the information conveyed in election notices and ballot language for property tax levies

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB491 SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel

STATUS: Passed by House, Vote 86-2

HB502 YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PUBLIC (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in public schools

STATUS: Passed by House

HB503 YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING-PRIVATE (Rep. Marlene Anielski) With regard to educator in-service training on youth suicide awareness and prevention in private schools

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB508 OHICORPS PILOT PROJECT (Rep. Scott Ryan, Rep. William Reineke) To establish the OhioCorps Pilot Project and to make an appropriation

STATUS: (Passed by House) Senate Finance Committee

HB512 CONSOLIDATE CAREER-EDUCATION GOVERNANCE (Rep. William Reineke) To establish the Department of Learning and Achievement; to abolish the Department of Higher Education, the position of the Chancellor of Higher Education, and the Ohio Board of Regents; to transfer, with exceptions, the duties regarding the administration of primary and secondary education programs and all duties regarding the administration of higher education programs to the Department of Learning and Achievement; and to prescribe certain duties regarding educator licensure, community school sponsorship, and other education programs for the State Board of Education, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Department of Education

STATUS: House Government Oversight & Accountability Committee

HB517 MONTH DESIGNATION-OHIO PRINCIPALS (Rep. Tim Schaffer, Rep. David Leland) To designate the month of October as "Ohio Principals Month."

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Reported out

HB524 529 CONTRIBUTIONS IN OTHER STATES (Rep. Gary Scherer, Rep. John Patterson) To expand the income tax deduction allowed for contributions to Ohio's 529 college savings program to include contributions to 529 programs established by other states

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB526 VOLUNTEER SCHOOL SECURITY (Rep. Anthony DeVitis, Rep. Martin Sweeney) To authorize a public or chartered nonpublic school to enter into an agreement with a volunteer law enforcement officer to patrol school premises to prevent or respond to a mass casualty event, to provide the parties with a qualified immunity from civil liability, and to provide a tax credit for volunteer service

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB529 CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS (Rep. Scott Ryan) To make capital appropriations and changes to the law governing capital projects and to make reappropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2020

STATUS: Signed by Governor – Effective June 29, 2018

HB538 TAXES TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND INCREASE (Rep. Jack Cera, Rep. John Rogers) To increase the proportion of state tax revenue allocated to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.53% beginning July 1, 2019

STATUS: House Ways & Means Committee

HB540 TEACHER EVALUATIONS (Rep. Theresa Gavarone, Rep. Nathan Manning) With regard to teacher evaluations

STATUS: Passed by House

HB544 STATE BOARD-ADOPT SCHOOL SAFETY STANDARDS (Rep. John Rogers, Rep. Rick Perales) To require the State Board of Education to adopt rules prescribing standards for safety enhancements to new public and nonpublic school facilities and to require the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission to revise its construction and design standards to comply with the State Board's standards

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB547 PERS- DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SCHOOL EMPLOYEE (Rep. Jay Edwards) Regarding Public Employees Retirement System service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of development disabilities

STATUS: House Aging & Long Term Care Committee

HB549 SCHOOL OPENINGS-AFTER LABOR DAY (Rep. Steve Arndt) To generally require public and chartered nonpublic schools to open for instruction after Labor Day

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB559 IMMUNIZATION-SCHOOLS (Rep. Anne Gonzales, Rep. Al Landis) To make changes to the law governing immunization of children enrolled in school, preschool programs, and day-care programs

STATUS: House Health Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB572 PERS- DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SCHOOL EMPLOYEE (Rep. Gary Scherer, Rep. Stephanie Howse) Regarding Public Employees Retirement

System service credit for services as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities

STATUS: Passed by House

HB591 STATE REPORT CARD REVISIONS (Rep. Mike Duffey) To revise the state report card rating system for school districts and public schools

STATUS: Referred to House Education & Career Readiness Committee – Substitute bill accepted

HB594 PAYMENTS MUNICIPAL CORPS/SCHOOLS BUSINESS LAYOFFS (Rep. Dan Ramos) Enacts section 131.46 of the Revised Code to provide for payments to municipalities or school districts for their lost income tax revenue after a business lays off 50 or more employees within their jurisdiction

STATUS: House State & Local Government Committee

HB603 IN-STATE TUITION-MILITARY SERVICE (Rep. Rick Perales) To grant residency status for in-state tuition purposes at state institutions of higher education to all military service members who are on active duty and to their spouses and dependents

STATUS: House Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee

HB605 OVERTIME LAW EXEMPTION (Rep. Brigid Kelly, Rep. Kent Smith) To raise the salary threshold above which certain employees are exempt from the overtime law

STATUS: House Economic Development, Commerce & Labor Committee

HB609 EXPULSION-THREAT OF VIOLENCE (Rep. Jim Hughes) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for communicating a threat of violence to occur on school grounds

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB611 ONLINE SCHOOL PAYMENT (Rep. Keith Faber, Rep. Kristina Roegner) To condition payment from the Department of Education to an Internet or computer-based community school on the school's use of automatically verifiable software that tracks attendance, class size, and participation

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB619 UNBORN CHILD EDUCATION (Rep. Niraj Antani) To require the development of an instructional program and educational and informational materials and the dissemination of those materials to protect the humanity of the unborn child and to make an appropriation

STATUS: House Education & Career Readiness Committee

HB620 REGULATION REDUCTION (Rep. Kristina Roegner, Rep. Craig Riedel) To require agencies to reduce the number of regulatory restrictions

STATUS: House Government Accountability & Oversight Committee